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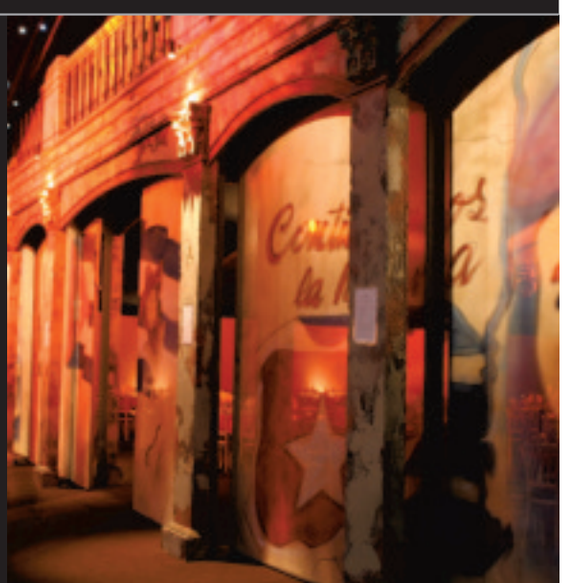

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Who is responsible for this tragedy?

BY ADAM GRINSELL
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INTERNAL fire and police investigations have been launched to find out how the bodies of a mother and daughter were missed in the Fishermead fire.

MK NEWS understands a major focus is on how and why the house was originally given the all clear – only for the two bodies to be found nearly 36 hours after the blaze started.

Three-year-old Fiyin Ejifunmilayo and her mother Bola, 29, died in the fire on Fishermead Boulevard on Sunday, September 5.

An original statement released on the Sunday by the fire service said one woman had been rescued but a search had revealed no one else was inside.

Investigations are now looking at all communication and information fed to the emergency teams on the night of the fire.

City MP Mark Lancaster believes the problem is the property was a 'House in Multiple Occupation' (HIMO) and nobody knew exactly who was living there.

The council revealed last week the property appeared to be an unlicensed HIMO, occupied by several families.

An investigation at the address in January 2009 by the council showed it was occupied by a single family.

Mr Lancaster said: "I do not want to comment on the ongoing fire and police investigations but I am confident our emergency services do a fantastic job risking their own lives to save others.

"My focus is on how this house being a HIMO might have exacerbated or even caused this terrible incident.

"With such transient populations, HIMO residents do not know their neighbours from one week to the next.

"This seems to have been the case in Fishermead Boulevard, with confusion over who actually lived in this house.

"The conversion of these properties can cause massive risks.

"These properties are not being used for their original purpose."

Mr Lancaster is due to raise the issue in Parliament today during Prime Minister's Questions.

Superintendant Simon Eatwell of Thames Valley Police said: "There will be a full review of all the communications, airwave traffic and information being fed to the emergency services on the night of the fire.

"There will also be a Coroner's Inquest and we are working with Buckinghamshire Fire & Rescue and other partner agencies to assist with this process.

"We understand the concern and upset felt by the victims' family and friends at this time and the need for certain questions to be answered. Bucks Fire Service said yesterday: "We are also conducting a full internal investigation into this incident and the circumstances surrounding it."

Pastor Ayo Ayeola, of the Chapel of Victory church where Bola was a chorister, told MK NEWS he visited the scene on Sunday morning looking for them, fearing they may have been inside.

He said: "We met the fire brigade and the police there, and the fireman I spoke to told us there were no fatalities.

"They showed us a manifest of the people and said her name wasn't there."

The council has identified more than 500 HIMOs in Milton Keynes but only 145 require a licence.

The rest do not need one as they do not fall within the strict definitions of a licensable HIMO.

Potential government legislation could make it easier for houses to be turned into HIMOs.

Cllr Chris Williams, Cabinet member for Housing, said they would be doing everything they can to stop the legislation being ratified on October 1 and discussed it in a full council meeting last night.

The council has also released contact details for anyone who wants to anonymously report an address they suspect to be an unlicensed HIMO.

Cllr Williams said: "We did release this information over a year ago, but it was not as clearly signposted as it should have been.

"Let's make sure the tragedy of Fishermead is not repeated."

If you want to anonymously report a HIMO, call 01908 253271 or e-mail privatesectorhousing@milton-keynes.gov.uk.

A 48-year-old woman from Corby arrested on suspicion of arson is currently on police bail.

VICTIM: Bola Ejifunmilayo

VICTIM: Fiyin Ejifunmilayo

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Student jailed for murdering father

LAW student Mark Alexander has been sentenced to a minimum of 16 years in jail.

The 22-year-old of Fleet Street in London, was found guilty last week of the murder of his father, Samuel, in Drayton Parslow last summer.

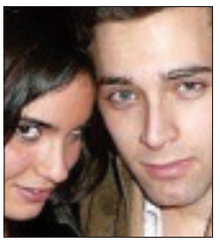
On Friday, Judge John Reddihough sentenced him to a minimum life sentence at Reading Crown Court.

Samuel, 70, was only reported missing in February this year after neighbours became worried they hadn't seen him for several months.

After further investigation, his dismembered and burnt remains were found buried under four layers of concrete in the garden of his £500,000 home.

High-flying King's College student Alexander was then arrested, though he has denied involvement in his father's murder throughout the trial.

The court heard how he constructed a web of lies, which included sending Christmas cards to Samuel's neighbours 'from Samuel and Mark', and lying to his girlfriend, Russian Senta Nazarbekova, about the last time he saw his father.



Left, Killer Mark Alexander with his Russian girlfriend

Right, victim Samuel Alexander and below, the crime scene in Drayton Parslow

The jury were told Alexander had killed his 'controlling' dad to be able to live the university life he wanted to lead, as the 'disliked and cantankerous' Samuel would never have allowed it were he still alive.

A spokesman for the Crown Prosecution Service said: "The sentence of the court reflects the seriousness and callousness of this defendant's behaviour.

"Mark has consistently denied any knowledge of his father's disappearance, has lied to neighbours about his father's whereabouts and the Crown claims has repeatedly lied under oath as to his participation in his father's death.

"This was a truly gruesome end for Mr Alexander senior. The CPS and police worked closely together in what was a complex and unusual case of patricide with strong circumstantial evidence backed up by forensic material."

MK's new Disney store aims to be a real experience

A BRAND new Disney store opens at thecentre:mk today (Wednesday).

The store in Milton Keynes is the first newly-designed store in England and has been dubbed an experience as much as a shopping trip.

The store features ground breaking technology, interactive storytelling and exclusive merchandise. An opening ceremony will take place every day, and six trees will feature unique Disney animations which change throughout the day, as well as a magic mirror in the Disney princess castle.

A grand opening will take place on Saturday, September 25 with Mickey and Minnie Mouse making an appearance.

Price of new police commissioner would be equivalent of '80 bobbies on the beat'

A NEW Police Commissioner for Thames Valley would cost the equivalent of 80 bobbies on the beat.

If passed in Parliament in October, new legislation could see each force get its own directly-elected commissioner.

But in a council meeting last week Sam Crooks, Cabinet member for Finance and Resources and a member of the Police Authority, announced the election, to be held next May, would cost Thames Valley taxpayers £2.2 million.

This equates to 80 beat cops across the force, or seven officers in Milton Keynes.

The figures come to light after the Police Federation announced last week it fears up to 40,000 officers could lose their jobs in the coming government cuts, and leave the public less safe.

A spokesman for the Taxpayers' Alliance said: "Though elected Chief Commissioners will give local people a more direct say in how their communities are policed, it's essential that the cost of elections is kept as low as possible.

"Our public services need to deliver value in all things, and with good planning and management, election overheads needn't break the bank."

Replacing Police Authorities, commissioners would be in office for four years, hire and fire Chief Constables and set the police budgets, all in an effort to make the police more accountable to the public.

Cllr Crooks said: "We accept there is a need for, and it is a good thing for, a public authority to keep renewing itself.

"The Thames Valley representative system is non-political and we do keep politics out of it, but because Thames Valley is big the only people who would be able to win in an election are the political parties.

"Let's say a Labour Police Commissioner wins - whoever the Commissioner is would be branded Labour and be a target for the other two main parties.

"What the public does want to know is who's in charge. If they were a much better known figure I think some of the public concern would be met."

■ Are you in favour of directly-elected commissioners? E-mail editor@mk-news.co.uk

MK's public transport 'the worst' says report

MILTON Keynes is the worst area for public transport, say national researchers.

A survey by the Campaign for Better Transport (CBT) the UK's leading authority on sustainable transport, assessed 19 major towns and cities using three criteria – accessibility and planning, quality and uptake of public transport, and walking and cycling.

The CBT said: "Milton Keynes was worst for public transport, and second worst for accessibility and planning.

"Milton Keynes was designed for the car. Those with cars can get to work in under ten minutes, but those without a car struggle to get around. Milton Keynes' large road network is beginning to suffer from congestion, causing increased pollution."

The Car Dependency Scorecard identifies 17 indicators which reflect car dependency. These were gathered through data produced by the Department for Transport, Commission for Rural Communities, Department for Communities and Local Government, the Audit Commission and the Office of National Statistics.

Milton Keynes Green Party spokesman, Alan Francis, said: "This independent report confirms what we have been saying for many years the city is car-dependent and has poor bus services.

"Public transport in Milton Keynes desperately needs to be improved. The council and the bus operators are failing the people of Milton Keynes."

Two cities in each region were selected based on population data, and in the list of 14, Milton Keynes came last, proceeded by Luton and Peterborough.

The best city for public transport was Nottingham.

This result has come just a week after the MK Bus Users' Group formed its first steering group to influence and improve the bus system in Milton Keynes.

A spokesman from Milton Keynes Council said: "Milton Keynes is a city that does provide choice evidenced by our dedicated pedestrian and cycle network, the Redways, of over 270 kilometres connecting the city for walking and cycling as well as a bus network.

"What the rest of the country does not have, is over 20,000 parking spaces available for the public in Central Milton Keynes and a Grid Road Network that does not suffer from congestion as badly as the other cities listed in the article."

■ Do you agree with the CBT? Email us your views at editor@mk-news.co.uk

Drugs gang members given sentences totalling 45 years

A WALNUT Tree man is one of seven gang members to have been sentenced to a total of 45 years for drug offences.

Fabreece Mullins, 19, from Huckleberry Close, Walnut Tree, Milton Keynes, pleaded guilty to two counts of conspiracy to supply Class A Drugs and was sentenced to seven years in prison.

Michael Birch, 20, of Rush Court, Leighton Buzzard, was also found guilty of supplying class A drugs in August and was sentenced to nine years in prison.

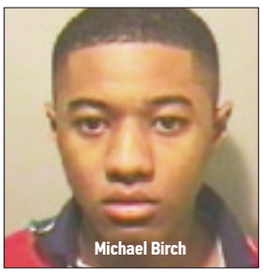
The gang named Workout supplied drugs to Leighton Buzzard and Luton, and were known to carry weapons.

The sentencing was the result of an 18-month investigation by detectives and one of the biggest armed police operations ever seen in Bedfordshire.

Officers posed as drug users buying cocaine and heroin from members of the group at the lower end of the chain, tracking how phone lines used for ordering drugs linked the street dealers back to the gang.

One gang member, Niall McErlane, is currently serving a sentence of 26 years for murder.

Fabreece Mullins


Michael Birch

Gangster, Fabreece Mullins, was controlling deals on behalf of Workout in Leighton Buzzard.

Over 400 officers were involved at the arrest last September, many of them armed, in raids that took them to 23 properties in Milton Keynes, Leighton Buzzard, Luton and Stevenage.

During the raids a firearm, drugs and cash were found as well as dangerous chemicals found at one flat thought to be used in the production of drugs.

Det Insp Ged McCarthy, who led Operation Paddle said: "It takes many months to put together an operation of this nature, so sometimes it can appear as if the police are not aware of what is going on or not able to do anything about it.

"However, these results show that we can help, especially where members of the community have been so supportive of our work. We are always keen to hear from people who have information on where threats to a peaceful community life are coming from and we will act on them.

"Other crime groups are being investigated by us at the moment and these people are certainly not untouchable they are just criminals who prey on the weak and deal in misery."

Mullins was sentenced on September 8.

Saviour to help rebuild burnt-down pigeon loft

A GOOD Samaritan has come to the rescue and offered to rebuild a pigeon loft destroyed in an arson attack.

As reported in MK NEWS last week, 60-year-old John Baker, who suffers with arthritis of the spine and emphysema, lost 27 of his racing pigeons in the attack.

Determined to keep up his hobby he has started rebuilding a loft himself, but can't afford to pay for a professionally-made structure.

But last week Mike Howard, who owns a property maintenance company in Great Linford, got in touch to offer his services.

GUTTED: John Baker next to the burnt remains of his pigeon loft

And although he can do a lot of the work he is appealing for help with the job, and hopes some kind-hearted citizens will offer to pitch in.

He said: "I got in touch because this is John's hobby and it was vandalised – I'm 58 and I was thinking about what it would be like if it happened to me.

"It's nothing to build a loft and it's a good opportunity to help someone else out.

"I'd need a few more handy people who can do a bit of carpentry, and we'd need some materials like timber, plywood, felt and cladding.

"I need some general, all-round builders to get in touch."

John said if anyone could provide anything at all, he would be really grateful. He added: "I can't afford a proper loft, because they cost up to £3,500, so I was going to build a small one myself.

"I'd be over the moon if anyone could help out, with anything at all really."

■ Can you help? If you can spare some time, expertise or materials and would like to help out, e-mail adam.grinsell@mk-news.co.uk

Drugs are found in prisoner's cell

DRUGS thought to have a potential street value of tens of thousand pounds have been found at Woodhill.

Prison officers found ten caplets filled with white powder believed to be cocaine during a search of a cell.

Bedfordshire Police have arrested an 18-year-old prisoner who had used the cell.

The Eastern European man, of no fixed abode, was originally arrested at Luton Airport on August 28 and charged with possession of cocaine with intent to supply.

Around 40 small wraps of cocaine were seized at the airport. Officers were called to investigate the suspected drugs find on August 31.

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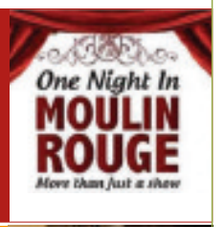

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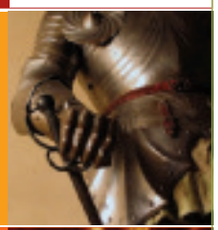

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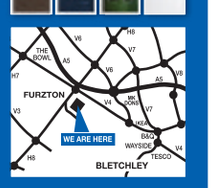

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Find some barriers

SIR -Yes there are definitely too many signs and posts.

In some parts of the city it's difficult to navigate the pavements for signs and posts. In other parts post erectors seem to have been in competition with each other erecting one sign in front of another.

As councils love their bureaucracy so much there should be a compulsory 128-point business case completed before a new post can be erected.

That would slow them down or make them think about using existing posts.

Richard Hughes
sent by i-phone

They need to go…

SIR - I am a motorcyclist and as such I am very anti any unnecessary roadside trash.

If you are unfortunate enough to come off your bike (for whatever reason) the last thing you need is to hit a signpost (possibly saying things like 'Think Bike' – get the irony in that).

Don't get me wrong some signage is of course necessary, and getting road users to 'Think Bike' is a good idea, but why use solid signage to advertise shops on roundabouts?

I think that any unnecessary items of obstruction should be removed. That would include signs, trees, bushes, lamp post and even the shrines to lost loved ones.

As I said, the last thing you need is to hit something as you slide the backside out of your leathers.

David Kettleboro
sent by email

Wrong impression

SIR - I find your front cover last week an outrage stating that firemen missed the bodies of the mother and child.

The truth is that it was too dangerous for firefighters to reach them after one firefighter was hospitalised. I can understand why the crews withdrew from the building.

I think that people think firefighters are super human. Firefighters do all they can to save a savable life.

Tom Hunter
sent by email

Crazy legal wrangling

SIR - I wholeheartedly support Chris Simpson's letter about the outrageous situation Trevor Leech and Vanda Joss find themselves in as trustees of Milton Keynes Sports Club (MK NEWS Sept 1).

This is one of our city's major sports facilities which football, hockey, cricket and tennis lovers have used for decades. It has a vibrant life.

Has our society become so litigious that before you volunteer your services you need to seek legal advice? How will the coalition government effect its aims to encourage us, the public, to volunteer enthusiastically and bind our communities when there are potential consequences like this?

There is a contradiction here in supposedly trying to cut wasteful public expenditure on the one hand, and the huge cost of embarking on questionable legal action on the other.

One might reasonably ask why MK Council has taken such a heavy-handed course of action when, at the end of the day, there is a first class facility that has to be run.

All the hours of legal wrangling will not improve the management of the facility. Could not the council use its/our money more positively to work out a solution with MKSC? Perhaps by funding a business consultant to restructure its finances.

The personal cost for the trustees as they sit this debacle out is huge. If they lose, then I strongly endorse the suggestion by Chris Simpson that MK NEWS sets up a fund to ease what will be serious financial hardship for Trevor and Vanda.

Come on MK Council, have you lost all sense of humanity?

Val Roche
Pattison Lane, Woolstone

Education would help

SIR - Shelter's new survey reveals that nine out of 10 Environmental Health Officers claim that tenants are experiencing poor living standards, harassment or illegal eviction as a result of rogue landlords.

The private rented sector in Milton Keynes will provide a substantial quota of housing provision over the coming years, and with the number of homeowners unwittingly becoming 'default landlords' in a bid to save their home from repossession, could lead to a breeding ground of rogue landlords in our area.

There are currently over 800 private landlords in Milton Keynes, [NOT including landlords who use a letting agent to manage their property.]

Shelter wants rogue landlords to be brought to justice – with a zero tolerance approach by local councils – giving courts the ability to ban rogue landlords from being a landlord and a greater transparency to enable the public to hold local councillors to account if they aren't successful in tackling rogue landlords.

Even celebrity Stephen Fry is 'twittering' that he is supporting Shelter's campaign, but the one thing I don't hear is the call for the education of landlords and tenants or the provision of workshops to enable landlords to develop professionally.

Were any of us taught at school our 'rights and responsibilities' as a homeowner, landlord or tenant? NO? Then is it any wonder that rogue landlords AND rogue tenants exist?

Surely, part of the answer is to educate us all on our responsibilities in whichever 'housing' situation we are in, this would naturally eradicate the very being of rogue landlords and tenants in the first place?

Housing law is complex but it isn't impossible to learn the fundamentals', indeed, it is very empowering… to all. This way, landlords and tenants 'police' themselves to keep a balance, so councils and courts can act when 'rogues' are highlighted as a result.

At Houseflys, we are planning free workshops over the coming months to enable MK's private rented sector to grow in confidence over the coming years. We would like to invite your readers, whether a landlord or tenant to our third free workshop on 'The Possession Procedure', on Tuesday, September 21, from 6.30pm to 8.30pm at MK Snap, Walnut Tree, Milton Keynes.

Guest speaker, Toyin Ero-Davidson from MK Legal Solicitors will go through the possession procedure to enable landlords to understand their legal obligations to ensure a successful possession of their property, while encouraging tenants to feel confident in their rights to challenge any illegal eviction should they ever need to in future.

Jana O'Flynn-Mundin,
Co-founder www.houseflys.co.uk
Local resident and tenant

Indications are that removing road signs may mean safer times ahead

SIR - It seems that the approach of removing road signs has been used with some success in Germany reducing average speed and accidents.

And it is an idea seems to be gathering momentum.

In a Wiltshire village where white lines were removed from the road last year there has been a drop-off of about third in accidents and a reduction in average speed.

I would like to see Milton Keynes Council adopt an experimental program so that we could monitor the results, at the end of the day anything that could make our towns like Newport, Bletchley and Stony safer would be welcome.

Cllr Alan Mallyon
Sent by e-mail

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GOING UP: The climbing walls at the Big Rock Centre

Getting to the top is no problem for Rock climber

BY ADAM GRINSELL
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"IT'S not going up that's the problem," I said as I clambered Spiderman-like up the wall.

"It's the coming down I'm scared of."

I'd reached the top of the 20 ft climbing wall with no problems at all, and even my instructor Chris commented on how well I'd done.

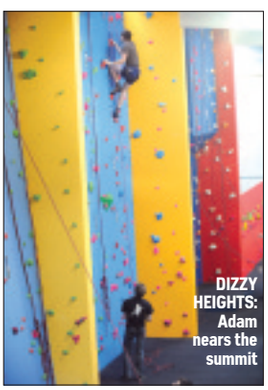
The sense of achievement didn't last long however, as the realisation dawned that I would have to go back down again.

"Just sit in the harness and lean back," Chris shouted.

No chance.

Knees a-quiver, I was eased through the process and eventually, thankfully, found myself on solid ground.

Christopher Chapman, instructor and manager at the Big Rock Climbing Centre in Kingston, explained after my ordeal that he and all the other instructors are trained to handle a whole range of scenarios and a range of ages and abilities.


DIZZY HEIGHTS: Adam nears the summit

He said: "People go rock climbing for all different reasons, and I started so I could get over my fear of heights, which I did.

"Our training throws up all kinds of problems that could occur, like fears.

"We're aware some people don't want to go that high, so we don't egg them on and we are sympathetic."

For my climb, Chris took my fear of abseiling into account and, without me realising, increased the tension on my rope so I could feel it was safe, to help me get down.

He said: "You get people who climb a metre off the ground and are chuffed to bits, so it's all about what you want to achieve."

Opened last Sunday, the new £1 million Big Rock centre is open to people of all abilities, and you can get started on the bouldering walls, which are lower but require more strength and skill, in as little as 15 minutes.

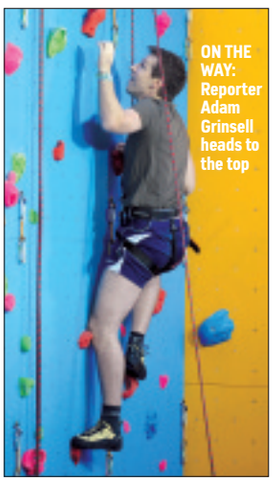
Although climbing isn't an activity immediately associated with getting fit, Chris explained there are several benefits over other sports, and it offers a great alternative to those tedious gym sessions.

He said: "You generally have three categories within sport – mental, physical, and skill.

"Whereas other sports contain and twist the proportions of these three categories, it's said that climbing has equal thirds.

"You have to be mentally aware, physically able, and you need the skill to move your body in a certain way."

At Big Rock, there are three types of wall which will challenge and help improve fitness in different ways, and the friendly instructors are always on hand if there are any questions.


ON THE WAY: Reporter Adam Grinsell heads to the top

There are also monthly wall-route reviews to keep regular visitors entertained, and staff are planning to organise trips for outdoor climbing for members, in association with their sister centre in Wales.

And as for my climbing career, you can expect to see me scaling new heights – and coming back down again – at Big Rock sometime soon.

■ **The official opening of Big Rock will be on Saturday at 10am, with Mayor Debbie Brock and top climbers David MacLeod and Tim Emmett.**
For more information see www.bigrockclimbing.co.uk

MK's 'lowest-paid' council boss on just £155k a year

MK COUNCIL'S chief executive is the lowest paid in the south east – but he still earns more than the Prime Minister.

That is according to new figures released by public services union GMB.

David Hill's annualised salary is £155,000 – half of the highest paid boss in the south east, Peter Gilroy in Kent who picks up £299,611 a year.

Neighbouring Buckinghamshire County Council chief executive Chris Williams earned £258,868 last year.

The highest paid council chief executive in the country last year was Peter Stybelski of Cumbria County Council who earned £464,114.

Richard Ascough, GMB regional secretary, thinks the amount being paid is way too high.

He said: "I can't believe that the council chief executives' salaries have got so high with no obvious logic to explain this. You have to ask what our elected councillors are doing, voting through such obscene remuneration packages.

"When you add the ever-growing number of council chief executives being made expensively redundant one day and popping up in another job the next, it's no wonder that the top council jobs are being seen as the best of all gravy trains."

Milton Keynes Council said, even though Mr Hill's salary is one of the lowest, it will still be up for review as part of a wider review of senior pay.

A spokesman said: "The aim of this review is to re-negotiate senior staff pay on a basis that is fair and reasonable, consistent with the expectations of national government in respect of a reduction in public expenditure, and comparable with the arrangements being made for other staff within the council and at other public authorities."

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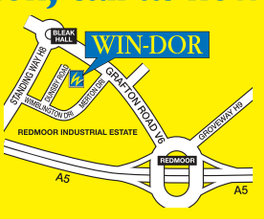

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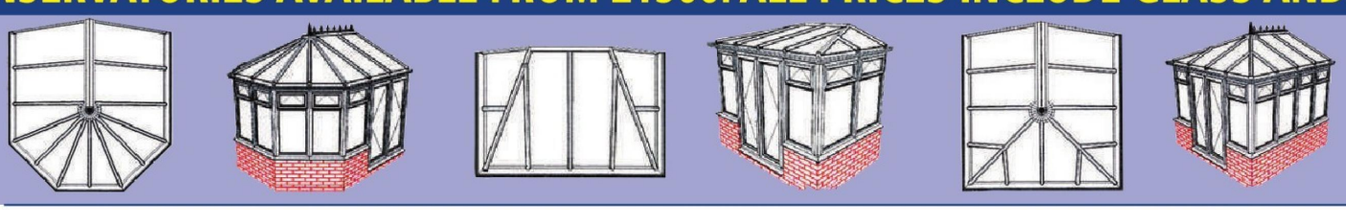

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Ed plays Balls as he canvasses for Labour leadership support

THE 'No Ball Games' policy at Farmborough Meeting Place was put on hold for a day last week while Ed Balls campaigned for votes.

He came to town on Wednesday to meet local Labour Party members and residents as the Labour leadership contest gathers pace.

Answering questions on everything from local housing and care services to pensions and nuclear weapons, he still made time to criticise the Conservatives and Liberal Democrats.

Mr Balls *(pictured)* said: "I'm afraid the new Government, which is cutting support for schools, is going to be scaling back more and they are making the wrong choices and creating more inequality.

"There are many communities around the country which need more investment, but you can't make the change unless you're willing to invest, and I fear the cuts being made now are going to make things harder for people on estates like this."

He asked why the Farmborough estate hadn't had more priority for investment, and said money was available for new houses if the Government was willing to spend it.

And asked why Labour lost in Milton Keynes, he said: "Phyllis Starkey was a very good MP for Milton Keynes. Labour were too slow to build more houses – we didn't build enough new homes and that has caused us a problem with the electorate.

"Labour lost because too many people said 'you're all the same and you're not doing enough'.

"When people see the rise in VAT and see the cuts to care services and schools and policing I think people will see the difference."

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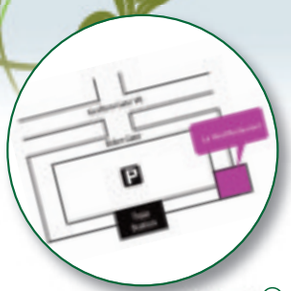

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From left Mark Robinson, Julie Smith and Michael Chambers the three members from Milton Keynes of the team cycling to Barcelona on charity bike ride

Cycling trio are bound for Barcelona to raise funds for Willen Hospice

FOR many a trip to Barcelona would be one of rest and relaxation – but not for one Milton Keynes team.

In a bid to raise £10,000 for Willen Hospice, Mark Robinson, 36, Julie Smith, 33, Nigel Byrne, 39, and Michael Chambers, 32, will be joining forces with a team from Sussex to cycle the 800 mile journey.

Starting today, the team will take 10 days to cycle through three countries and across the Pyrenees mountain range.

And you can keep up to date with how Mark and the team are getting on by reading a daily blog on MKNEWS website throughout the journey.

Mr Robinson, who runs WakeMK, said: "We view this as a challenge for us and we've also thought it would be a good way to raise some money."

Explaining why Willen Hospice was first choice, Mr Robinson added: "Willen Hospice is such a well-known and respected charity and it's such a good cause, it's not just money going in to a black hole.

"They have a deficit of £500,000, so they need as much help as possible.

"Everyone knows someone who has needed to use a hospice and these people work tirelessly."

All of the equipment, travel and accommodation will be paid for by the team and everything raised will go directly to charity.

So far, £4,000 has been raised through curry nights and bucket shaking, which they will be doing at more events including the upcoming WakeMK's Summer Jam wake boarding competition.

None of the team had any previous cycling experience, for his first practise Mark cycled three miles – a feat he admitted had ruined him.

Training started in December and since they have completed 214 miles in two days cycling from Milton Keynes to Portsmouth.

Julie has also cycled part of the Tour de France. The section she cycled was 13 miles uphill which she admits she found a struggle.

She said: "At times, I just wanted to throw my bike off the mountain.

"It was good fun though, and a really good achievement for me – I'd never done anything like that before."

■ **To support the team visit www.brightontobarcelona.co.uk To find out how the team is getting on reading Mark's daily blog on our website at www.mk-news.co.uk**

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Ex-school reborn as state-of-art college

AN ambitious multi-million pound project is transforming an empty school building into a cutting-edge technical learning centre.

Milton Keynes College is refurbishing the defunct Cottesloe School building, next to the college's Chaffron Way campus, to create a state-of-the-art vocational learning centre for its engineering, construction, manufacturing and public services students.

Rob Jones, MK College's Vice Principal said: "This is a fabulous opportunity for us and we are delighted to be working with Milton Keynes Council to create a very modern learning environment which will be a tremendous asset for the college and the city's future.

The regeneration of the former school building was made possible after MK Council transferred the site to MK College so that a new educational facility could be developed for young people in the area.

The Council has also contributed £1.5million towards the project, as part of its 14-19 diploma investment programme. The rest of the cost will be covered by £574,000 from Central Government and a £4million investment by the College itself.

An artist's impression of Milton Keynes College's new technical learning centre

Image courtesy of Archial Architects Ltd

Designed by Archial Architects, the centre will have 5,200 square metres of facilities, including 16 classrooms and 8 open-plan workshops, and a courtyard area where students will be able to build an entire two-storey house.

Ashe Construction is aiming to have the first classrooms ready for students by September 20, with the centre fully completed by March 31 2011.

Mark Eustace, MK College's Project Director added: "The project also includes substantial investment in cutting-edge equipment, including the latest computer numeric control machines and a prototyper to create 3D models of students' designs.

"As well as investing in the new, we are re-using the old, transferring some of our engineering and construction equipment from the current campus sites. We're using green building techniques and the students themselves will use and learn about green technology in our workshops."

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Shopping centre's birthday bash proves a big success

Banging the drums to celebrate Midsummer Place Shopping Centre's anniversary

SHOPPERS were treated to celebrations for the fashionable quarter's 10th anniversary.

A steel band, face painters, balloon shapers, stilt walkers and free food and wine tasting were among the many events on at Midsummer Place Shopping Centre at the weekend.

At 1pm on Saturday, hundreds of people also gathered for a balloon drop where 200 balloons full of prizes and spending vouchers were dropped from the centre's roof.

Midsummer Place's centre manager, Martin Hindson, said: "This has been a magnificent weekend of fun and entertainment to say thank you to our shoppers. We are extremely proud to be Milton Keynes' destination for fashion and we look forward to the next ten years to come."

Fuel theft accused charged and bailed

A BLETCHLEY man has been charged with handling stolen goods and theft of fuel.

Ben Lewis, 21, from Chestnut Crescent was charged on September 7 with one count of handling stolen goods and one count of bilking (stealing fuel).

He has been released on bail and is due to appear at Milton Keynes Magistrates' Court at a later date.

The charges are in connection with the theft of front and rear number plates from a vehicle in Hainault Avenue, Giffard Park, in the early hours of September 4.

The stolen plates were then used at the BP service station, Tickford Street, Newport Pagnell, to steal fuel.

PC Barry Jones said: "This is the fourth person we have charged in connection with number plate thefts and a subsequent bilking in the last few weeks.

"In the last five months in Milton Keynes we have seen nearly 500 bilking offences committed and over 200 number plate thefts.

"This may seem like a fairly low-level offence but each number plate theft has a victim behind it who then has the expense and hassle of possible insurance claims and getting a replacement set of plates.

"It also costs businesses thousands and takes up valuable police time.

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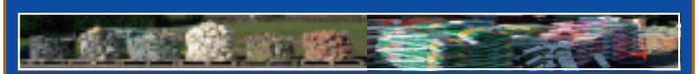

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Burglar sentenced to two-and-a-half years

A BEANHILL man has been sentenced after pleading guilty to burglary and handling stolen goods.

Kieren Murphy ***(pictured)***, 26, from Melick Road, was sentenced at Huntingdon Crown Court to two years and six months in prison.

Murphy pleaded guilty to carrying out a burglary at a property in Redhuish Close, Furzton, between June 29 and 30, in which he stole items including a laptop, laptop case, mobile phones, camera and cash.

Murphy also pleaded guilty to handling stolen goods after police recovered property which was traced back to a burglary in The Linx, Bletchley, on June 25.

The sentencing took place on September 8.

PC Mark Burgess, who led the investigation, said: "We are pleased that Murphy has been given a custodial sentence for these offences.

"Burglary is an extremely intrusive crime and can have a profound effect on the victims and how safe they feel in their own homes.

"Reducing the number of burglaries in Milton Keynes is a priority for us and we will pursue every lead possible to take burglary offenders off the streets."

School fire evacuation

A PRIMARY school was evacuated after a kitchen fire.

Priory Common First School in Scatterill Close, Bradwell, had a fire in its kitchen after an insulated hot-meal container caught fire on a hob on Friday.

Fire services were called to the school at around 10.30am.

Crew Manager, Dan Retter, of Great Holm Fire Station said: "When we arrived, the school had carried out a full evacuation.

"Staff had used a carbon dioxide extinguisher and fire blanket and we cleared the smoke with a fan.

"We would like to praise the staff for their quick response."

The school continued as normal for the remainder of the day, and parents were sent letters explaining what had happened.

Heritage protection

STONY Stratford residents are being offered the chance to protect their heritage.

An exhibition is being held at the town's library by MK Council reviewing the conservation area and allowing locals to voice their opinions.

Officers carrying out the review work will be at Stony Stratford library on the afternoon of September 16 and on the morning of September 25 to discuss any questions about the conservation area and the town.

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Group's delight at housing decision

BY ADAM GRINSELL
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SALDEN Chase proposals could be a thing of the past after Aylesbury Vale Council unanimously voted to withdraw their core strategy.

As reported in MK NEWS last week, the council was meeting to decide whether the strategy was still relevant following the removal of the Government's South East Plan for housing expansion.

Councillors decided unanimously at the meeting on Wednesday to ask the Secretary of State to remove the strategy.

This will mean the council would no longer have Government housing targets to meet, and large-scale developments like Salden Chase would not be necessary.

James Lodge, chairman of Save Our Villages which protested against the Salden Chase development, said: "We're ecstatic. We've been waiting two years to get a result like this.

"It was a very full meeting and standing room only, it would appear this issue touched the heart of many. Not only were Save the Villages there in some force but other resident groups including our friends from Bletchley and neighbouring parishes.

"This is the best news Save our Village has heard. This is the first but very important step in the demise of Salden Chase.

"All our members will rejoice in this news and look forward to a revised core plan that removes the threat of village destruction and chaos on the roads."

Developers can still go through the normal planning application channels and be considered by the development control panel, but that is not concerning James.

He said: "I'm not so worried that the planning application will be granted now, because of the unanimous vote last night.

"There was a lot of conversation, and also the Highways Department has taken a look and there's no room for traffic expansion - it would disrupt whole villages."

The Secretary of State is expected to make a decision in favour of the move within the next month.

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Man sought after attack on woman late at night

THIS man assaulted a woman on her way home in Great Linford.

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The offender jumped-out from an alleyway leading from St Leger Drive to Kindleton, knocked the woman over and pinned her to the ground.

He told her to be quiet and hit her on the head. He then got up and ran off.

The victim remembers seeing a car pass by while she was struggling with the offender on the ground and believes this may be what disturbed him.

The offender is white, 5ft 9ins, with a stocky, fat build and a clean-shaven, round face.

He was dressed all in black and was wearing a black hat. He spoke with an English accent.

Det Con John Swallow, leading the investigation, said: "It is unclear at this stage what the offender's motives were.

"No property was stolen from the victim and after struggling with her the offender simply got up and ran off. We are keen to trace the driver of the car which passed by during the attack and would urge them to contact the police.

"The victim also remembers seeing a man dressed in similar clothing to the offender pass by her on a bicycle shortly before the attack.

"This may be someone totally unconnected and if so we would ask them to contact us."

If you have any information about this incident, contact Det Con Swallow at Milton Keynes police station via the 24-hour non-emergency number, 0845 8 505 505.

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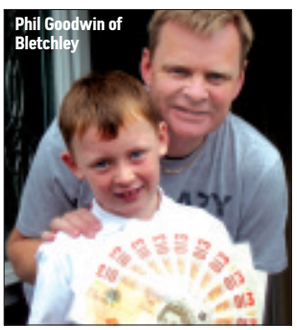
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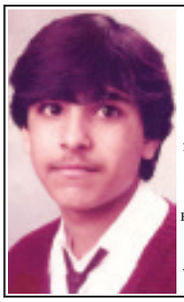

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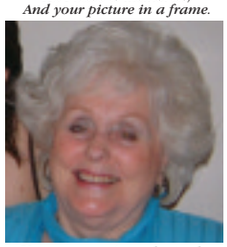

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‘Roller Cows’ pick up cash boost of £1,500

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THREE city community organisations are the lucky recipients of a bursary from a local house-building firm.

As reported in MK NEWS, Country and Metropolitan Homes committed £1,500 to the Community Bursary to help local charities, schools and groups make a positive contribution to their community.

One organisation looking forward to using the money is the Concrete Cows, a recently created women's flat track roller derby team.

The Roller Cows formed in May due to demand created by the success of the fast-paced sport in America.

There are now over 500 women's leagues operating across 16 countries and the sport is thriving in the UK. Jean Merrilees from the Concrete Cows said: “Roller derby is a great way to keep fit and healthy and we're really keen to attract more women to take part, but a common problem for those on low incomes is the initial cost of buying equipment.

“We want the team to be as inclusive and accessible as possible, so we're delighted that the Country and Metropolitan Community Bursary will allow us to buy club equipment that can be loaned to new skaters until they can afford their own.”

Other groups to benefit are Vagabond, a touring cinema project, and an online Community Forum which brings information and news to local residents.

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Luci's Everest bid to honour Grandad

A WOMAN is climbing Mt Kilimanjaro in her grandad's memory.

Luci Tilsley, 31, of Ravenglass Croft, Broughton, lost her grandfather on Fathers' Day this year to cancer.

She said: "My grandad was taken into hospital in May with a suspected fractured hip. But after tests we found out it was in fact bone cancer, which had spread from the cancer in his lungs, which then spread to his brain.

"We were told he had a year to live, but died within six weeks of going into hospital.

"Watching him deteriorate, I had this sudden urge to do something.

"He had always done a lot of charity work in his local area, and that's why I've chosen to do the climb with local charity Climb Your Mountain - so that I too can help local people.

"Before he died I told him what I was planning on doing and he laughed and told me he'd meet me at the top - that's what keeps me going."

The climb isn't going to be all fun and games for the mother-of-three, who says this is the first real exercise she's ever done, but she's training hard to reach her goal.

"I'm quite overweight and I never exercise, so this totally out of character - even my mum and dad laughed when I told them."

Luci must raise £3,500 for the event - the trip alone will cost £2,000, and the rest will go to Climb Your Mountain, an MK charity which helps people improve their physical and mental health, with a particular focus on depression and stress.

She is running a salsa night with local teacher Bryan Ramos at the Medbourne Pavillion, 31 Pascal Drive, Medbourne on September 25. Doors open at 7.30pm for an 8pm start till 11pm.

Tickets are £15 which include a buffet. Guests should bring their own alcoholic or soft drinks.

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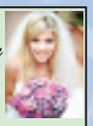

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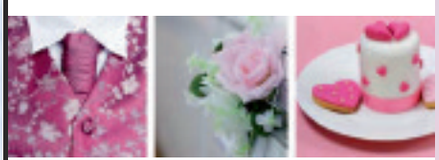

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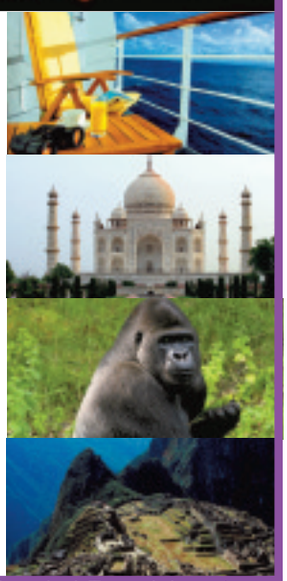

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Frequently using Tickford Bridge but unaware of its history, Mr Lancaster learnt about the extraordinary transportation of the iron from the north to Newport Pagnell - via sea and canal rather than road.

The exhibition charts the life of the bridge: requiring an Act of Parliament before construction could commence; surviving replacement in 1967 after a backlash against the decision; and seeing the erection and removal of controversial traffic calming bollards in the 1990s.

The bridge - which has never been officially opened - will be the centre of a celebratory parade on September 18.

Mr Lancaster, who afterwards went to admire the structure with its freshly gilded 1810 numerals, said: "Outsiders bemoan Milton Keynes's supposed lack of heritage, but our splendid iron bridge proves those people wrong.

"It is a beautiful structure and we must be grateful to the people who saved it in the 1960s, those who have worked to preserve it since, and now the volunteers who have organised these anniversary celebrations.

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ON SITE: Mayor Ian Carman and Mark Lancaster on Tickford Bridge in Newport Pagnell

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Pupil, 17, rewarded for anti-bully stance

Giovanna Laryea receives her award from Milton Keynes Academy principal Lorna Caldicott

AN anti-bullying campaigner has been presented with a special award by her school.

Giovanna Laryea, 17, from Fishermead, received the Principal's Award at Milton Keynes Academy for her outstanding work to help young people.

Giovanna has spent the last year running an anti-bullying support group at the Academy as well as giving one-to-one advice to younger students.

She said: "When I was a kid I was bullied myself, but I had friends to back me up and people there for me.

"I know that if you stand up to bullies then they will stop.

"That's the message I put across to anyone who's bullied."

Giovanna volunteered to help with the Academy's anti-bullying project after hearing about it at an assembly.

She said: "I love being around kids and I want to help them.

"Bullying happens in every school, but it can be stopped if you tell victims not to be scared or shy and to get help."

She also represents the Academy at the Milton Keynes Anti-Bullying Forum which meets monthly, and has been commended for her contribution.

Giovanna hopes to study medicine at university and eventually become a pediatrician.

Principal Lorna Caldicott said: "Giovanna is a fantastic student and a credit to the school."

Daytime Blakelands flasher sought by police

A MAN exposed himself to a dog-walker in broad-daylight.

The victim was walking her dog around Tongwell Lake, Blakelands, at 6pm when a man attracted her attention and he exposed himself.

The offender is white, aged around 30 and of medium build. He was wearing a dark coloured baseball cap, black T-shirt with a red triangle on the front and powder blue shorts.

The offence took place on September 5.

Anyone with information should contact PC Dan Gidman at Milton Keynes police station via the 24-hour Police Enquiry Centre on 0845 8 505 505.

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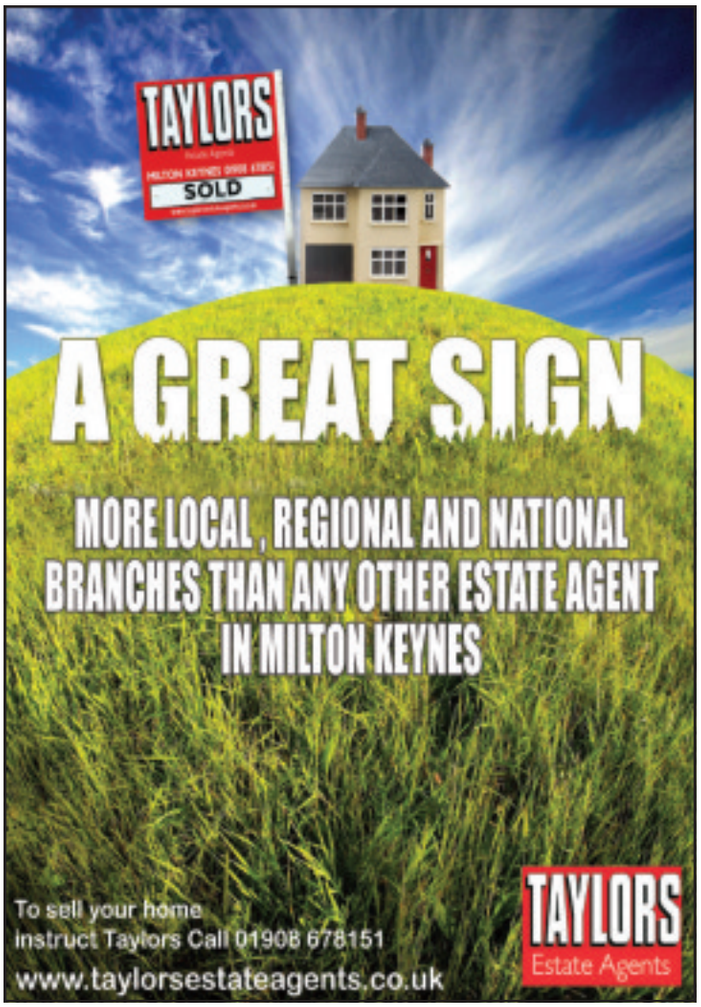

Theatre chief is off to take on new challenge

THE chief executive of MK Theatre is to leave.

After two-and-a-half years in the job Elizabeth Addlington *(pictured)* will be concentrating on managing the new Aylesbury Waterside Theatre from this autumn.

During her time at the theatre Elizabeth successfully led its tenth-year celebrations, and brought about recognition for the theatre's achievements through the annual Theatrical Management Association Awards and the Chamber of Commerce Awards.

In 2009 the theatre was recognised by the Milton Keynes Chamber of Commerce as the Best Overall Business for the year, and was highly praised for its contribution to the local community and for its high standards of customer service.

The theatre was runner up at the National Chamber of Commerce awards for customer service.

Elizabeth has played an active role in ensuring that the highest quality programme is maintained at the venue, and she was instrumental in the plans to bring English National Ballet to the venue for its debut performance of Romeo and Juliet this November.

Elizabeth said: "Milton Keynes is a wonderful city and I have enjoyed the time I have spent there very much.

"I would like to pay tribute to the loyal, hard-working and creative team at the theatre, and to wish them all the very best for the future."

Barrier-breaking childcare course for men

MK COUNCIL and MK College are breaking down gender barriers in childcare with a new course.

The briefing session for the 12-week induction course will take place on September 22 at 6.30pm at MK College.

Workforce Development Manager Marion Hogan said: "This course is a great way for men interested in starting or changing to a career in childcare or provides men with greater confidence in caring for their children.

"The profession is traditionally assumed to be female-orientated and men can often feel apprehensive about whether joining it is for them.

"Men can provide childcare just as well as women and this course aims to break down the barriers that men often feel they are faced with. It gives them confidence to go on to join a further course, train alongside female learners and ultimately join the childcare workforce."

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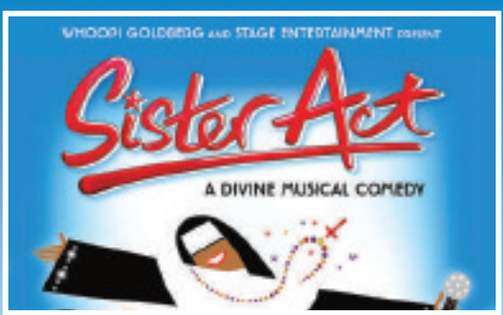

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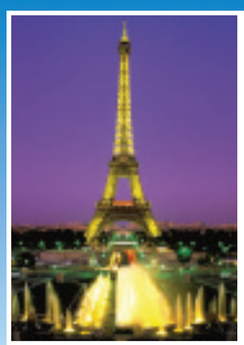

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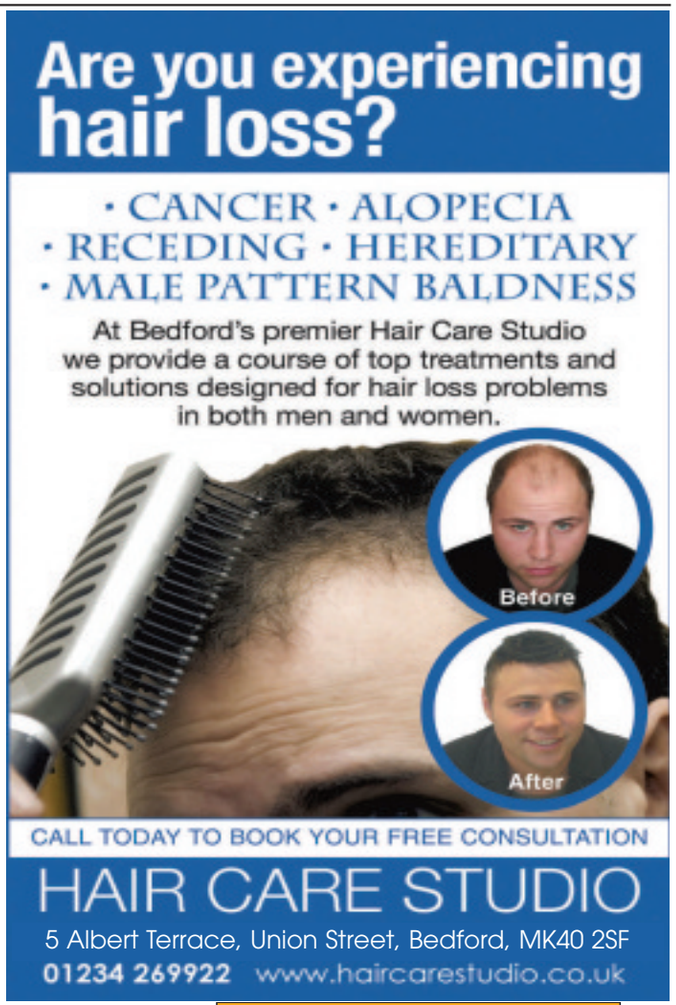

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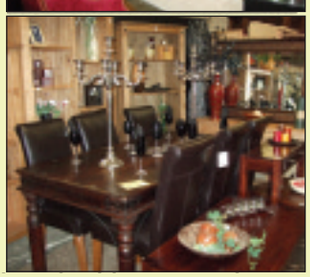

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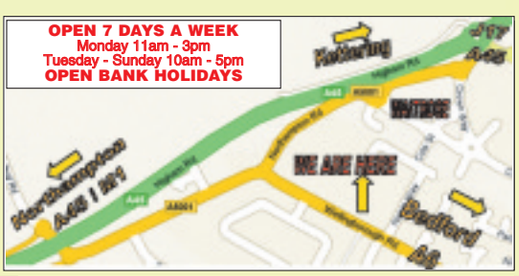

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Mayor Debbie Brock cuts the ribbon with Simon Elcock project director for the Brooklands development

New homes ready for public viewing

THE Mayor of Milton Keynes, Cllr Debbie Brock, has officially opened the doors to the city's newest housing development.

The first 200 homes of the Brooklands development from Places for People are currently being built and are now available for public viewing.

The first mix of houses range from two-bedroom apartments to five-bedroom detached homes.

Ove the next ten years the 360 acre site on the eastern edge of the city will see a total of 2,500 homes built as well as associated infastructure.

As well as parks and meadows on the site there is already Brooklands Farm Primary School as well the specially created landscaped Brooklands Ridge, built to block out noise from the neighbouring M1.

Museum's future secured

BLETCHLEY PARK CAPITAL PARTNERS (BPCP) and its associates have donated £100,000 to The National Museum of Computing (TNMOC) to help secure its future and enable its further development.

Officially opened in 2008, TNMOC now ranks among the top three dedicated computer museums in the world. Visitors can see and sometimes even use rare or unique working exhibits spanning seven decades of computing development.

The BPCP funding will be used to help pay the museum's running costs and to help secure its long-term future and independence. BPCP will also provide resources to redecorate the museum building, the historic Block H which, as home to the war-time Colossus machines, was the world's first purpose-built computer centre.

Jon Fell, a director and trustee of TNMOC said: "This very generous donation from Bletchley Park Capital Partners (BPCP) and its associates is our largest-ever consortium donation and is fantastic news for the museum.

"The Foundation Sponsorship programme that we launched earlier this year is now bearing fruit and we hope that more companies will want to contribute to the invaluable educational and heritage resource that we wish to expand."

He added: "With the hard work of our dedicated and unpaid volunteers, we have been able to put on public display an astonishing range of world-class exhibits. BPCP's funding not only helps secure the Museum's future, but, with their experience in refurbishing buildings at Bletchley Park, will also enable us to sharpen up the Museum environment for visitors and volunteers."

Tim Reynolds, chairman of Bletchley Park Capital Partners said: "As neighbours of TNMOC on Bletchley Park, we have watched the development of the computing museum with great interest and admiration. We are amazed at how much they have been able to achieve considering that they have received no Government or Lottery funding and pay rent for its premises on Bletchley Park.

"The existence of the computer museum on this historic site alongside some great new innovative technology companies is an inspiration."

The growing range of displays at TNMOC include a rebuild of Colossus Mk II acknowledged as the world's first modern computer, the ongoing restoration of the WITCH-Harwell computer of the 1950s, mainframes of the 1960s, the NPL Gallery on the Technology of the Internet, plus hands-on micros from the 1970s and 1980s and a retro-programming classroom.

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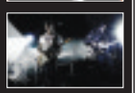

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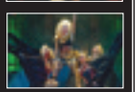

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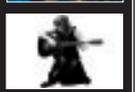

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SIMON DARNELL

QUICKER
I Blame Coco

THIS is an odd one and no mistake.

Things start off with a guitar strumming away, but if you think you're in for three minutes of indie goodness then I've got a surprise for you, and here it is – I have never won a game of Monopoly in my entire life.

Yeah, I know it's not music-related but be honest, it was a surprise wasn't it? I don't know, there's no pleasing some people is there.

Oh well, back to the song I suppose. So, the indie thing. Nope, doesn't sound very indie. If anything, it's a one song tribute to 1989 without even meaning to do it, especially once the chorus kicks in.

It's nice to hear somebody bringing the Italo House piano riff out of the Retirement Home For Short-Lived Musical Fads, and while they've been at it they've also brought back a few keyboard riffs from Erasure's Wild! era too (and if you don't know when that album came out, you ought to go back about 70 words or so).

Now, you're probably reading this and thinking, 'My God, that sounds awful. I shall endeavour to spare my ears from the horror of listening to this abomination as far as is humanly possible'.

See, I know how my readers think. Anyway, moving back to the point of all this – you might think this sounds rubbish on paper, but you try downloading a bit of paper to your iPod and see where it gets you.

No, what I recommend is that you give it a proper listen because it's actually not bad at all.

TOKYO (VAMPIRES AND WOLVES)
Wombats

A FIVER says a few people saw the word Wombats and thought 'I wonder what else is in this week's fine periodical?'.

For those of us still here, you're in for a treat because this is four minutes of utterly uncontrived exuberance.

It's also a step forward from their Let's Dance To Joy Division days; their sound has matured in the intervening three years whilst still sounding unmistakably Wombat-esque.

And yes, Wombat-esque is a proper word; it's in print now so there.

It's also around 37 times better than Is This Christmas? and that can only be a good thing. I must be feeling very generous this week,

I'm recommending both singles. Never mind, I'm sure it's just a phase I'm going through. Normal service will resume shortly, I'm sure.

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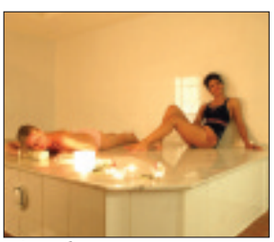
Feeling slightly guilty after spending the first 30 minutes reclining by the pool with only my Jonathan Cole novel for company I took the plunge into the 19 metre inside pool for a few laps.

Not wanting to overdo it I soon found myself in the sizeable whirlpool spa with my wife discussing the merits of not being at work and pondering some of lifes more serious questions. Which therapy room would I visit next?

There is a huge choice of heat and ice experiences to be had in the Spa including rasul chamber, caldarium, ice cave, Roman salt steam Room and the more traditional sauna.

But I don't want to give the impression that it was all just lounging around. Not at all. I did have to walk upstairs to see a therapist for my 50 minute deep tissue massage too! Now I am quite tall and tend to stoop over my computer causing pains in my shoulders. I also cycle to work a lot so my legs were in need of some TLC.

It had to be the best 50 minutes I had spent in quite a while. Deep tissue massage is not for everyone, particularly people with low pain thresholds but no pain no gain as they say.



Throughout the spa. the staff were very polite and most important excellent at their job.

My wife was full of praise for the lady who manicured and pedicured her hands and feet to an excellent standard and lets face it men, if your wife is happy so are we.

The spa certainly did what it said on the tin. It provided me with an escape route from the outside world and into the spa world were I was actually able to slow down and enjoy doing as little as I wanted.

I would recomend this to anyone who fancies a de-stress without breaking the bank.

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1) 15 piece chicken, 4 fries with 1.5ltr coke	£18.50
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Hairspray, that musical celebration of difference, doo-wop and diversity, is coming to Milton Keynes Theatre at exactly the right time.

By the end of September, we may already be nosediving into winter but this bubblegum-flavoured show will brighten up the darkest autumn night and revive the most flagging of spirits.

It is 1962 and in Baltimore Tracy Turnblad wants three things out of life - to dance on The Corny Collins TV Show; to turn the head of the best-looking boy on The Corny Collins TV Show and to break down racial barriers on The Corny Collins TV Show.

The Corny Collins TV Show figures large in Tracy's life.

But then, Tracy herself is undeniably larger than life. She's a big girl with big hair and an even bigger heart. Not to mention a super-plus size agoraphobic mother, Edna, who has a curiously deep voice...

Hairspray is the archetypal triumph of hope over experience; it's got the feelgood factor with added all age appeal and it has won enough awards to bust out of the seams. Bit like Tracy's mum. But what about that deep voice?

Since the show first opened on Broadway in 2002, the character of Edna Turnblad has been played by a strapping great bloke padded out to XXL proportions.

In the current touring production, the part of Edna is triple cast. Not one, not two but three well-loved personalities are, in different venues, slipping into the size 11 slingbacks and the Turnblad fat-suit.

In MK, Brian Conley gets to put on the chintzy housecoat and the false boobs.

Is Brian's Edna more Widow Twankey or Danny La Rue?

"My Edna is not pantomime dame or drag queen" says Brian. "You've got to make it real. You've got to love Wilbur (Tracy's dad) and Edna even though there's no denying that it's two blokes up there."

A professional since he was twelve (he is now 46), Brian has tried pretty much every branch of showbusiness there is going but, he says: "I was born to sing."

His best experience was playing Al Jolson at the Victoria Palace Theatre in 1995. "We came in as underdogs," he says, "and the critics came in to wince. They stayed to cheer.

"My worst moment was on my TV chat show. I wasn't in control. Apart from that, these days telly is a dead loss for me because I haven't any ballroom, can't cook, hate the jungle and I've turned down soaps - what's left?

"No, I've enjoyed doing telly, feature films and now I really just do things I want to do. I want to see the audience with their hankies out sobbing because they're so moved or crying with laughter. I was born to entertain. I belong on stage - it's my world.

"Hairspray is one of the best shows I've ever been in; the energy of the kids is phenomenal. It has wonderful songs and choreography and it's got plenty to say, too. And we've never not had a standing ovation."

Much to live up to then, Milton Keynes.

Les Dennis, who at MK is playing Wilbur Turnblad, agrees.

"Hairspray is a great musical - all fantastic 1962 American bubblegum pop songs but with some really thought-provoking issues about racial integration. Tracy is a pioneer for people who are different. There is never not a standing ovation with this show. It's automatic every night. The audience may come in to the theatre with the weight of the world on their shoulders but we infect them and they reciprocate. You can't wish for better."

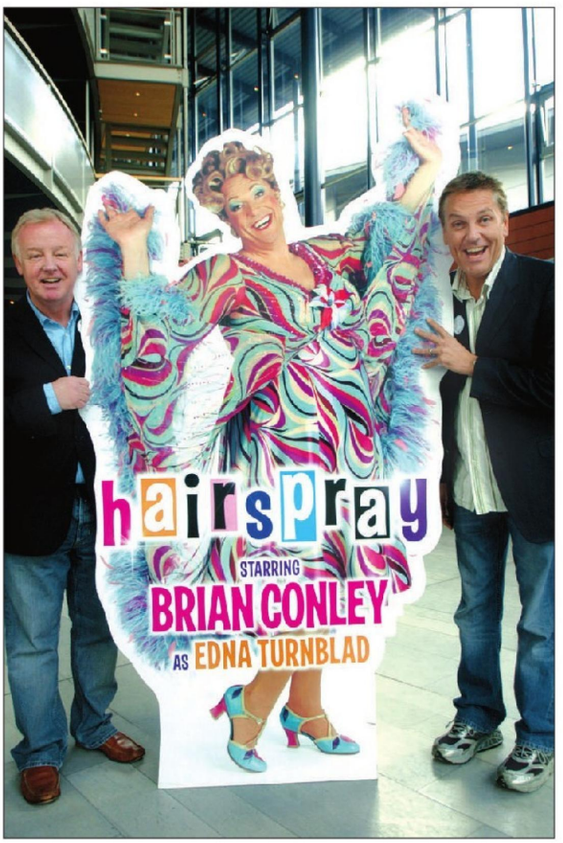
Les knows what it's like to feel low. His private life has been cruelly splashed across the tabloids in the past and his career path has had its bumpy patches.

His darkest moment was when his partner Dustin Gee died during the run of Cinderella at Southport at New Year in 1986.

The best thing for him, in a long career, is the fact that he made the switch from game show to theatre - and to be taken seriously as an actor. "I now put actor on my passport - not entertainer" he says proudly.

Touring can be cheerless but doing a show like Hairspray holds no terrors. "It's a different thing when you're on the road doing a solo act" he says. "It can get very lonely but going into No1 touring venues with a feelgood musical and a friendly company is a joy."

JUDY RILEY



Les Dennis and Brian Conley star in Hairspray

OLNEY MARKET PLACE

BIG OLNEY FOOD FESTIVAL

September 18

ORGANISED by Olney Chamber of Trade, BOFF will take over Olney market place from 12 noon until 9pm. A range of local businesses will each have a stall on the marketplace providing food and drink including dishes prepared by Pastures Farm, The Bull Inn, Much Ado Delicatessen, Old Shanghai, Happy Herefords, Four Pillars Tandoori, the Pancake Race Committee, and Teapots. Fine wines and beer will be provided by Bacchus and The Bull.

Buy your ticket in advance, turn up on the day at a time that suits you, choose your three course meal and a glass of wine or beer, and find a seat in the marquee. Then sit back, relax and enjoy the food and entertainment!

Organiser Samantha Tomlin said: "Fun activities for the children include a giant blow-up slide and face painting, whilst cookery demos, wine tasting and live music will appeal to the grown-ups. Luan Hockley will be performing again – last year she was a real hit with the crowd."

Buy your tickets for this year's event in advance to avoid disappointment - a large marquee will ensure you can enjoy the festival, whatever the weather! Vegetarian options will be available for ticketholders and food for children will also be available on the day. Adult tickets cost £15 each and are available from selected outlets in Olney - Much Ado Delicatessen (01234 714006), the Bull Inn (01234 711470), Teapots (01234 712392) and Bacchus (01234 711140), or online from www.olneychamberoftrade.co.uk

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WINTER'S BONE (15)

Jennifer Lawrence, John Hawkes, Kevin Breznahan, Dale Dickey

From Friday

SEVENTEEN-YEAR-OLD Ree Dolly (Lawrence) sets out to track down her bail-jumping dad after he uses the family home to secure his bond. Failing to find him will mean that she, her mother and siblings will have to fend for themselves in the bitter Ozark woods. Overcoming her kin's code of silence and threats of retribution and violence, she slowly uncovers the truth behind her father's disappearance.

NIGHT OF THE DEMONS (18)

Edward Furlong, Shannon Elizabeth, Monica Keena

From Friday

A HARD-PARTYING crew and Edward Furlong's drug dealer find themselves tackling skeletal demons on Halloween.

THE OTHER GUYS (12A)

Mark Wahlberg, Will Ferrell, Steve Coogan, Michael Keaton, Eva Mendes, Samuel L. Jackson, Dwayne Johnson

MEET Allen Gamble (Ferrell) and Terry Hoitz (Wahlberg). They're not the hero cops you see on the news, they're the desk jockeys who get lumbered with the rubbisg assignments and paperwork. But when they get a chance to crack a big case, Terry spots a chance for them to shine.

JUST WRIGHT (PG)

Queen Latifah, Common, Paula Patton, Pam Grier

From Friday

Ashlee Thompson as Ashlee, Jennifer Lawrence as Ree Dolly and Isaiah Stone as Sonny in Winter's Bone

SINGLE physio Leslie (Queen Latifah) thinks her luck has changed when she meets NBA star Scott (Common), only to find him dating her beautiful but shallow friend.

THE KID (15)

Rupert Friend, William Finn Miller, Augustus Prew, Natascha McElhone

From Friday

ABUSED at home, bullied at school and abandoned by social services, Kevin Lewis finds a place in London's gang culture where he quickly develops a name - 'The Kid' - and a reputation for himself.

GOING THE DISTANCE (15)

Drew Barrymore, Justin Long, Christina Applegate.

Now showing

WHEN Erin hooks up with Garrett, neither of them expects their happy fling to outlast the summer. But when they part they realise they don't wantthe fling to end.

TAMARA DREWE (15)

Tamsin Greig, Roger Allam, Dominic Cooper, Gemma Arterton, Bill Camp,

Now showing

A JOURNALIST returns home, having made good and had a nose job, she sets off a wave of gossip.

WIN CINEMA TICKETS

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DAILY LIFE

THURSDAY

PETER Webster Band at the White Horse, Stony Stratford. Free. Starts 9pm.

FRIDAY

EXPLORE the night sky with the Milton Keynes Astronomical Society. Plus an astronomy and space exhibition, including telescopes and other equipment, images and books. Contact: publicity@mkas.org.uk

SATURDAY

40 Watts at The White Horse, Stony Stratford. Free. Starts 9pm.

FOOD For Free - The Parks Trust. Woughton Orchard. Discover what foods you can eat for free in the wild. Park at Woughton Playing Fields, Newport Road, H8 Standing Way. 10.am-2pm. Free.
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SUNDAY

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Tell me about the club?

Eddie: The club has been running now for over 6 years and from 3 different venues in Northampton. The phenomenal success of the club means we are now bringing Dentokan Karate to families in Milton Keynes. I am the Chief Instructor and have been doing a variety of martial arts for over 16 years. All the instructors in the club are AMA qualified, CRB checked and insured.

So, what's your take on karate?

Eddie: Well, Karate is an excellent self defence system. Now days (in my opinion) there is too much focus on sport karate which tends to favour the young and athletic. Whilst there is a sport element to our 'syllabus', we focus more on karate's roots, which is self defence. That's why Dentokan karate is suitable for all the family.

What will people get from your classes?

Eddie: Well, if you take on board the principles I have mentioned, my students will become physically fitter, mentally stronger, and have the tools to deal with an attack on the street.
My philosophy is **'one club'**. We teach adults and children together encouraging family participation. This is something that has worked so well for our club. **How often do children and parents learn something together as equals?** Our club is a wonderful way for families to come together to do something positive, healthy and that offers a vital skill set. Kids love learning with their parents.

Our classes are also a superb vehicle to help defend against cardiovascular disease, weight gain, diabetes and stress related illnesses.

Finally, Martial arts are great for teaching us a basic lesson in life. With effort, desire and belief you can achieve most things. This is especially important for children to learn.

Is your style of karate different?

Eddie: Firstly, let me say that I would encourage everyone to take up a martial art as long as it is with a good instructor. I am not of the opinion that there is only one way. There are no bad martial arts but there are bad instructors and clubs! To answer the question, I cannot comment on what other instructors teach but what I can say is Dentokan is a very special organisation. It is full of experts in different martial arts keen to share their knowledge. Students will learn punches, kicks, blocks, evasion, locks, takedowns and even some ground grappling. **Not only will they learn Karate but Aikijutsu, Goshin Jutsu and Kobudo!**

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There are electric security gates to the front of the property, off road parking for at least eight family cars and integral double garage.

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•Long private roadway
•Offers good sized family accommodation

Shenley Brook End £425,000

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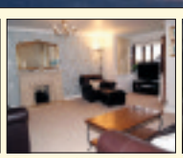
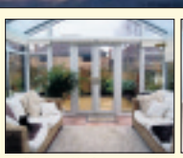
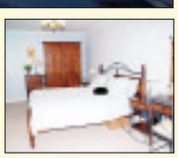
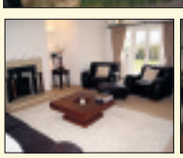
•Lounge •Kitchen/breakfast room •Dining room •Conservatory •Utility and w/c
•Five bedrooms with two en suites and a family bathroom
•There is a generous garden to the rear
•Driveway for approx. 4 vehicles infront of the double garage.

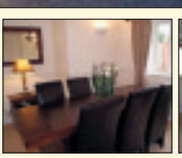
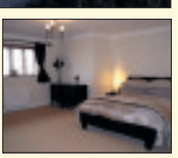
Downhead Park £465,000

•This stunning high specification property offers a wealth of accommodation
•Situated close to Central Milton Keynes and Campbell Park
•Large lounge •Kitchen/dining room •Family room •Study •Conservatory •Utility and cloakroom
•Three double bedrooms and a large single bedroom
•Dressing room to the guest suite, two newly fitted en suites and a family bathroom
•This property also boasts a mature rear garden

Whaddon £575,000



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Loughton £450,000

- Offered with no upper chain this six bedroom detached
- Offers a wealth of accommodation
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- Kitchen/breakfast, utility and cloakroom
- Master bedroom with en suite and fitted wardrobes
- Second floor are bedrooms five and six and a shower room
- Rear garden
- Shared driveway leading to parking for two/three cars and a single garage.

Wavendon Gate £375,000

- Wonderful four bedroom detached executive residence
- 3 reception rooms
- Kitchen/breakfast room
- Utility and downstairs cloakroom
- Two en suites and family bathroom
- Gardens to front and rear
- Detached double garage

Loughton £450,000

- Extremely high specification detached executive residence
- Offers a wealth of living and bedroom accommodation
- Three reception rooms
- Beautiful kitchen/breakfast room
- Conservatory
- Utility and downstairs cloakroom

Kingsmead £350,000

- Offered with NO UPPER CHAIN
- Well presented three storey detached family home
- Offers a wealth of accommodation on three floors
- Two reception rooms
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- 5 double bedrooms
- Dressing room to the master, en-suite and 2 family bathrooms

Aspley Guise £375,000

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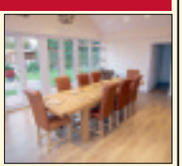
Broughton Village £650,000



- This unique bungalow is situated in Broughton Village
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- Three bedrooms with three en suites
- Study/bedroom four
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- Kitchen
- En-Suite & Bathroom
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Double Width Driveway
- Double Garage

Walton Park £209,995

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- Lounge
- Dining Room
- Kitchen
- Shower Area
- Bathroom
- Front and Rear Garden

Shenley Church End £155,995

- Two Bedroom
- Terrace Property
- Double Glazing
- Conservatory
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Off Road Parking

New Bradwell £309,995

- Spacious Detached Residence
- Four Bedrooms
- Three Reception Rooms
- En Suite to Master
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Off Road Parking
- Double Garage

Furzton £218,000

- Three Bedroom Detached
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Conservatory
- En Suite to Master
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Garage

Stantonbury Guide Price £140,000

- Much Improved
- Three Bedroom Home
- Cloakroom
- Gardens
- Off Road Parking
- Viewing Recommended

Heelands Guide Price £205,000

- Refurbished Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Cloakroom
- Two Reception Rooms
- Gardens
- Garage

Giffard Park £132,000

- Semi detached property
- 80% shared ownership
- Two bedrooms
- Lounge/diner
- Kitchen
- Gardens to front and rear
- Allocated parking

Bradwell £329,995

- Four Bedroom Detached
- Cul de Sac Location
- Three Reception Rooms
- En Suite to Master
- Front, Side & Rear Gardens
- ORP & Double Garage

Woolstone OIEO £278,000

- 4 Bedrooms
- Detached Bungalow
- Kitchen
- Lounge
- Conservatory
- En suite
- Gardens
- Garage

Central Milton Keynes £67,500

- Premier Location
- One Bedroom
- Apartment
- Gas Radiator Heating
- Double Glazing
- Underground Parking
- 50% Share

Willen £110,000

- Well Presented
- One Bedroom Apartment
- Over 55's Only
- Communal Parking
- Communal Gardens
- No Upper Chain

Wavendon Guide Price £240,000

- Well Presented
- Two Bedroom
- Executive Apartment
- Kitchen & Lounge
- En Suite to Master
- Garage
- Communal Gardens
- Exclusive Grounds of Wavendon House

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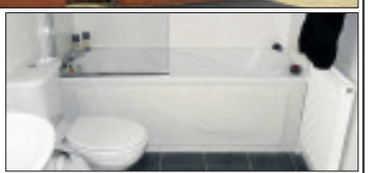
Broughton £280,000



• Well Presented Four Bedroom
• Three Storey Detached Home
• Three En Suites
• Kitchen/Breakfast Room
• Garage and Garden

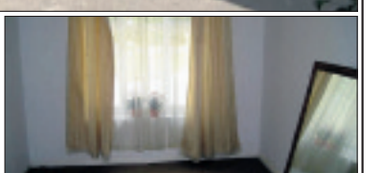
Shenley Lodge £285,000

• Four Bedroom Detached
• Separate Reception Rooms
• En Suite to Master
• Rear Garden
• Converted Garage

Emerson Valley £239,995

• Much Improved & Extended
• Three Bedroom Detached
• Three Reception Rooms
• En Suite to Master
• Gardens & Garage

Milton Keynes £174,995



• Much Improved & Extended
• Two Bedroom Bungalow
• En Suite to Master
• Gardens & Off Road Parking
• Viewing Recommended

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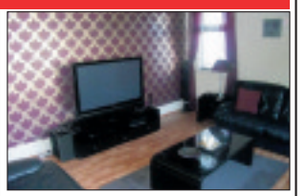
Rivers £197,500

- Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Driveway
- Garage

Bletchley £284,995

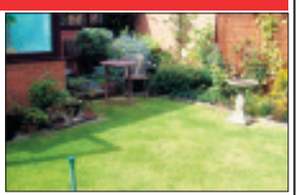


- Well Presented
- Detached
- Four Bedrooms
- Conservatory
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Driveway and Garage

Saints Estate Offers In Excess Of £140,000

- 1940's Style
- Three Bedrooms
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazing
- Rear Garden

Emerson Valley £179,995



- Semi Detached Bungalow
- Two Bedrooms
- Conservatory
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Driveway
- Garage

Windmill Hill Guide Price £160,000

- Semi Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Gardens
- Driveway and Detached Garage

Bletchley £87,950

- End of Terrace
- Three Bedrooms
- Front and Rear Gardens
- No Upper Chain
- Internal Viewing Recommended

Fenny Stratford £104,995

- First Floor Flat
- One Bedroom
- Central Heating
- Juliet Balcony

Rivers

- Three/Four Bedrooms
- Extended
- Mid Terraced
- Central Heating
- Double Glazing
- Fitted Kitchen
- Separate Reception Rooms
- Off Road Parking
- Gardens

Scotts

- Detached
- Four Bedrooms
- Conservatory
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Driveway
- Single Garage

Bletchley

- Mid Terrace
- Two Bedrooms
- Gas Central Heating
- Front and Rear Gardens

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Emerson Valley £190,000

- Link Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Refitted Kitchen
- Conservatory
- Garage •Garden
- Off Road Parking
- No Upper Chain

Shenley Lodge Guide Price £150,000

- Two Bedrooms
- One Reception Room
- Conservatory
- Rear Garden
- Driveway

Westcroft £229,995

- Well Presented
- Four/Five Bedrooms
- Semi Detached
- Ensuite to Master
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Garage

Shenley Brook End £260,000

- Detached
- Four Bedrooms
- Separate Reception Rooms
- Ensuite
- Gardens
- Off Road Parking

Emerson Valley £62,000

- Top Floor Maisonette
- Two Bedroom
- Allocated Parking
- Offered For Sale At A 50% Share
- No Upper Chain

Emerson Valley £290,000

- Detached
- Four Bedrooms
- Ensuite to Master
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Driveway
- Double Garage

Newton Longville £200,000

- Character Mid Terrace
- Three Bedrooms
- Separate Reception Rooms
- Garden

Little Horwood £179,995

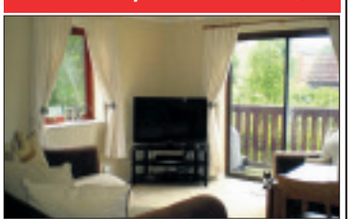
- Well presented
- Two bedroom
- Luxury apartment
- Village location
- Master bedroom with en-suite
- Allocated parking
- No upper chain

Mr and Mrs M are looking to buy a three bedroom detached property in Emerson Valley. If you are thinking of selling please call 01908 524456.

Crownhill Guide Price £170,000

- Semi Detached
- Three Bedroom
- One Reception Room
- Garden
- Off Road Parking

Emerson Valley Guide Price £130,000



- Maisonette
- Two Bedrooms
- One Reception Room
- Off Road Parking

Kingsmead £224,995

- Well Presented
- Three Bedrooms
- Ensuite to Master
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Driveway and Garage

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Westcroft

- Detached
- Four Bedrooms
- Three Reception Rooms
- Garden
- Garage
- Off Road Parking

Shenley Church End £56,000

- Well Presented
- Top Floor Maisonette
- Two Bedrooms
- Balcony
- Allocated Parking
- Please note there is an added £4,000.00 Premium

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Hodge Lea Guide Price £140,000

- Very well presented
- Three bedroom
- Mid terraced property
- Double glazing (where specified)
- Gas central heating
- Refitted kitchen/diner
- NO UPPER CHAIN.

Bancroft Park £215,000

- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Dining Room
- Back Rooms
- Shower Room
- Ensuite Bathroom
- Bathroom
- Front & Rear Garden

Castlethorpe £109,950

- Well Presented
- One Bedroom
- Second Floor Flat
- Refitted Kitchen
- Refitted Bathroom
- Viewing Recommended

Deanshanger Guide £175,000

- Semi Detached Bungalow
- Two Bedrooms
- One Reception Room
- Shower Room
- Large Garden
- Off Road Parking

Wolverton Guide Price £155,000

- Victorian Style Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Gas Central Heating
- Lounge/Diner with Bay Window
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Garage

Wolverton Guide Price £170,000

- Well presented
- Three bedroom
- Victorian style
- Terraced property
- Upstairs bathroom
- Gas to radiator heating
- UPVC double glazing (where specified)
- Garage and gardens

Stony Stratford £180,000

- Well Presented
- Three Bedroom
- Terraced Home
- Refitted Kitchen
- Refitted Bathroom
- Conservatory

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Wolverton Guide Price £170,000

- Three bedroom
- Victorian style property
- Double glazing where specified
- Gas central heating
- Re fitted kitchen
- Re fitted family bathroom
- OFFERED WITH NO UPPER CHAIN.

Wolverton Guide Price £130,000

- Two Bedrooms
- Victorian Property
- Terraced
- Loft Room
- Garage
- Garden

Castlethorpe Guide Price £250,000

- Three bedroom
- Semi detached
- Victorian style
- Many character features
- Off road parking and gardens
- Must be viewed!

Stony Stratford Offers Over £151,000

- Semi Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Refitted bathroom
- One Reception Room
- Garden
- Garage

Wolverton Mill OIEO £145,000

- Well Presented
- Two Bedroom
- Ground Floor Apartment
- En Suite to Master
- Allocated Parking
- No Upper Chain

New Bradwell Guide Price £139,995

- End of terrace home
- Four bedrooms
- Separate reception rooms
- Downstairs cloakroom
- Enclosed rear garden
- No upper chain

Deanshanger Guide Price £250,000

- Well presented
- Four bedroom home
- Double glazing
- Conservatory
- En suite to master
- Viewing recommended

Stony Stratford Offers Over £180,000

- Three Bedrooms
- Double Glazing
- Two Reception Rooms
- Garden
- No Upper Chain

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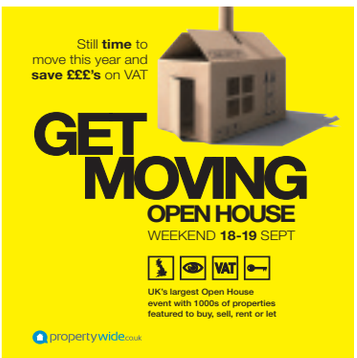
Newport Pagnell £199,500

- Extended Three Bedroom Semi Detached
- Open Plan Lounge/Diner/Family Room
- Refitted Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Downstairs Cloak/Shower Room
- Refitted Bathroom
- Conservatory



Bozeat Guide Price £325,000

- Four Bedroom
- Detached family home
- Three reception rooms
- Kitchen and utility
- En suite to master bedroom
- First floor study
- Detached double garage

Newport Pagnell £115,000

- First Floor Maisonette
- Two Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Garage and Parking

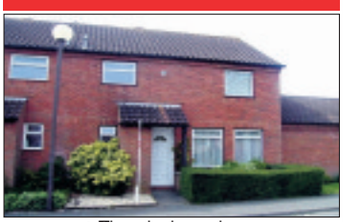
Newport Pagnell £239,995

- Five bedroom
- Semi detached property
- Sought after area
- Separate receptions
- Gardens, driveway and garage
- Internal viewing is recommended

Turvey Guide Price £400,000

- Four Bedroom
- Executive Style
- Cul-De-Sac
- Three Receptions
- En Suite To Master
- Double Width Garage
- No Upper Chain

Great Linford Offers Over £162,000



- Three bedroom home
- Cloakroom/utility
- Separate reception rooms
- Gardens to front and rear
- NO UPPER CHAIN

Blakelands £160,000

- Two bedroom house
- Sought after location
- Refitted kitchen
- Conservatory
- Garage and gardens
- Viewing is highly recommended!!

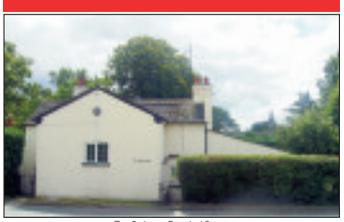
Olney £220,000

- Victorian Style Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Conservatory
- Loft Room
- Garden

Lavendon O.I.E.O. £225,000

- Grade II listed cottage
- Three bedrooms
- Two reception rooms
- Re-fitted bathroom suite
- Rear garden with outbuilding
- Village location

Salford £425,000



- Two Bedroom Detached Property
- Boot/Cloakroom
- Lounge/Diner
- Refitted Kitchen
- Utility
- Pantry
- Detached Double Garage
- Gardens of approx 1/2 acre

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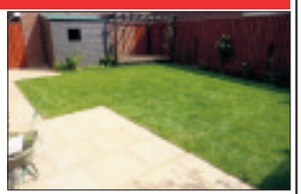
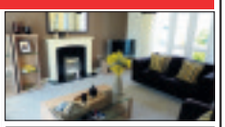
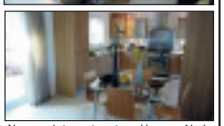


A rarely available, brand new 4 bedroom detached house. The accommodation boasts generous room sizes, including 2 en suites. Throughout the property as well as outside there is high specification. Part of this development of just 3 non estate homes is in the heart of the village. This popular village offers a variety of amenities and schooling for all ages. Access to Buckingham/Milton Keynes is excellent. OPEN HOUSE THIS WEEKEND, CALL TO BOOK AN APPOINTMENT!!

OPEN HOUSE WEEKEND

NEW DETACHED WITH DOUBLE GARAGE £299,995





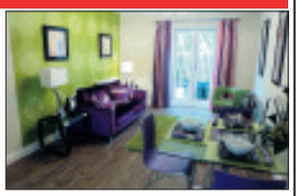
Near completion, an imposing treble aspect 4 bedroom detached, double garage home with a fantastic 22'5 family kitchen. There is a spacious square lounge and a separate dining room/family. With the L shape design comes with the benefit of having double aspects. CALL TO BOOK AN APPOINTMENT.

OPEN HOUSE WEEKEND

VILLAGE 4 BEDROOM HOME £225,000

Versatile 4 bedroom semi detached with garage to rear. Offering a popular kitchen/diner layout and a versatile bedroom accommodation over 2 floors. The whole top floor is a sanctuary for the master bedroom alone. Offered with a good level of standard items, such as oven, hob, hood, fridge/freezer, recessed downlights and ceramic floor to kitchen. Located in a small village, just off the A5 trunk road. Set between Dunstable, Leighton Buzzard, Milton Keynes and the M1 motorway. An excellent base for commuters.

TOP FLOOR BRAND NEW 2 BED APARTMENT £140,000



Set on the second floor, this 2 bedroom home benefits from the lounge being double aspect with an open plan kitchen. Specification is excellent with some integrated kitchen appliances and gas to the radiator central heating. There is an allocated parking space. The location is ideal, as situated at the end of the traditional bustling high street with a vast array of restaurants, pubs and shops. Milton Keynes and the M1 motorway are just a short drive away. Internal from showhome.

BRAND NEW 2 BEDROOM HOUSE £190,000

Set in the pretty and historic centre, a 2 bedroom end of terrace house. This rarely available property has a separate kitchen and a living room onto the garden. Upstairs both bedrooms are doubles and the master has wardrobes. This home is unique to the development. Specification is very high, including integrated oven and fridge freezer and quality high gloss kitchen. The location is ideal, as situated at the end of the traditional bustling high street with a vast array of restaurants, pubs and shops. Milton Keynes and the M1 motorway are just a short drive away. Internal photo from showhome.

STRIKING TRADITIONAL STYLE HOUSE £359,000

Set on the edge of the pretty town of Buckingham. A brand new 4 bedroom detached house with garage and generous driveway. The layout offers a spacious 21' x 14' double aspect lounge with a further reception and kitchen/diner with utility room. Upstairs, 3 of the 4 bedrooms have built in wardrobes. Specification includes an alarm, ceramic floors to bathrooms, UPVC windows and tufted garden. The location is ideally placed within Milton Keynes. Internal photo from show home.

5 BEDROOM DETACHED HOUSE £320,000

Offering a well balanced layout with kitchen/diner and 3 further reception rooms. Upstairs there is 3 bath/shower rooms and most of the bedrooms are a double size. Outside there is a garage with generous driveway. Situated in east Milton Keynes, offering excellent access to the M1.

BRAND NEW 4 BEDROOM DETACHED £249,950

Rarely available 2 storey traditional detached with garage and a 2 car drive. It has en-suite from the master bedroom and a popular open plan kitchen. The house is ready now, set in the popular East edge of Milton Keynes with excellent access to the M1. Internal photo from showhome.

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Oxley Park £1,695pcm

•Well presented 5 bedroom property
•Off road parking, gardens
•Large bedrooms
•Kitchen/breakfast room
•Utility room and downstairs cloakroom
•2 en suite bathrooms
•The property is set over three levels
•Available Now!

Castlethorpe £695pcm

•Well presented 2 double bedroom property
•Situated in a popular village location
•The property is unfurnished
•Available from the end of September 2010
•Please call the lettings team to arrange a viewing appointment on 01908 393924

Wolverton £825pcm

•Well presented three bedroom property
•Off road parking and gardens
•Central heating and double glazing
•Lounge
•Kitchen/diner
•Cloakroom

Kents Hill £1,250pcm

•'Superb' four bedroom detached property
•Situated in the popular 'Kents Hill' location of Milton Keynes
•Available immediately and is unfurnished
•Please call the lettings team to arrange a viewing appointment on 01908 393924.

Leighton Buzzard £650pcm

• Terraced property
• Two double bedrooms
• Kitchen/diner
• Lounge• Garden
• Allocated parking
• Unfurnished

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• First floor maisonette
• Two double bedrooms
• Lounge/diner
• Kitchen
• Garage and garden
• Available immediately

Eaglestone £650pcm

• Two bedroom property
• Off road parking, gardens and garage
• Central heating
• Kitchen/diner• Lounge
• Double bedrooms and bathroom
• Available now!

Monkston £1,195pcm

•Four bedroom detached property
•Situated on the East side of Milton Keynes
•The property is close to local amenities and good school catchments
•This property is available from October unfurnished!
•Must be viewed!

Emberton £3,500pcm

•Stunning self-build property
•Located on the outskirts of the idyllic village of Emberton
•Only 1 mile from the market town of Olney
•Kitchen/breakfast/family room
•Separate receptions and study
•Four double bedrooms with ensuite bathrooms
•Double garage
•The property is set within 3.75 acres with 3 acres of paddocks

Bletchley £1,500pcm

•Five bedroom detached property situated in the popular 'Racecourses'
•Three reception rooms
•Conservatory
•En suite to master
•Garage
•Backs onto fields and is offered with optional furnishing
•Available immediately

Oxley Park £750pcm

•Completely refurbished three bedroom semi-detached property
•New bathroom, new flooring, new kitchen, new ceilings, new insulation, new electrics, new gas central heating
•Available furnished and is ready immediately
•Call the Lettings Team now on 01908 393924
•MUST BE VIEWED!!

Woolstone £850pcm

•Three bedroom detached property
•Situated in the picturesque village location of Woolstone
•Offers kitchen, lounge/diner, two doubles and one single bedroom, family bathroom
•Offered part or unfurnished and is available immediately
•Call the Lettings Team now on 01908 393924 to avoid missing out on this rare property!

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GARDENS TO FRONT AND REAR
GARAGE AND OFF ROAD PARKING

SHENLEY LODGE £199,995

SEMI DETACHED HOME
THREE BEDROOMS
DOWNSTAIRS CLOAKROOM
CONSERVATORY
GARDENS AND OFF ROAD PARKING

BRADVILLE GUIDE PRICE £140,000

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FAMILY BATHROOM
REAR GARDEN
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BRADVILLE £153,000

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THREE BEDROOMS
RE-FITTED KITCHEN/DINER
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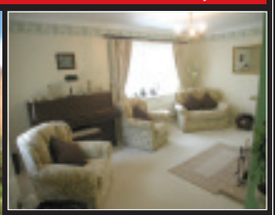

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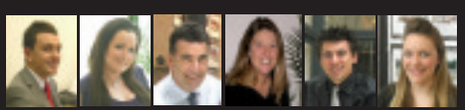

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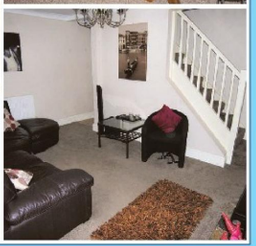
Middleton £210,000

A three bedroom semi detached property situated at the start of a cul de sac in the highly desirable area of Middleton. The property overlooks a small park to the front and benefits from a downstairs cloakroom and an ensuite shower room. There is a 15ft kitchen/diner with patio doors leading to the rear garden and built in wardrobes to bedroom one.



New Bradwell £155,000

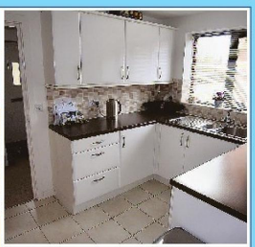
A well presented Victorian style mid terrace property. Situated in a no through road within this established area. The layout has been altered and extended to create a more contemporary feel. There is a refitted kitchen, a first floor bathroom with separate shower and a separate dining room. The loft has been boarded and had velux style windows installed. It is currently used as an excercise room. Further benefits include PVCu double glazing, a breakfast area and an enclosed garden.

Oldbrook £269,995

A four bedroom detached property situated on a generous corner plot close to Central Milton Keynes. The property has a separate dining room, a utility room and a detached double garage. There are built in wardrobes to two of the bedrooms and ensuite shower room to the master.

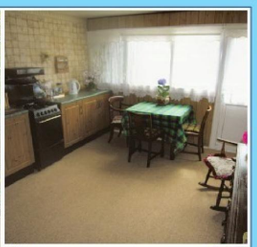
Bradwell Common £105,000

A two bedroom maisonette located with easy access to the city centre and railway station. The accommodation is on the first and second floors and has gas radiator central heating. It has been rented out for a number of years and is offered for sale with vacant possession.



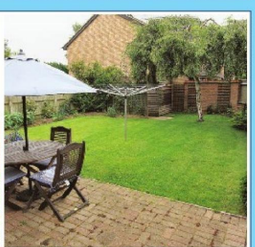
Broughton £249,995

A very well presented townhouse with a garage to the rear. On the top two floors there are four bedrooms, two of which are ensuite and a family bathroom. The ground floor accommodation comprises; entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge, kitchen, utility room and a second reception room currently used as a dining room.



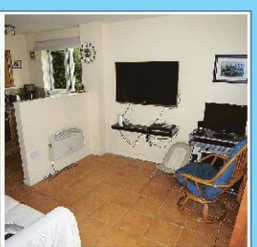
Beanhill £119,995

A three bedroom mid terrace bungalow, offered for sale with vacant possession. The property is situated within a cul-de-sac and is in walking distance of local shops. The property has PVCu double glazing, gas radiator central heating and the kitchen units have been refitted. However, in our opinion work is required to the decoration.



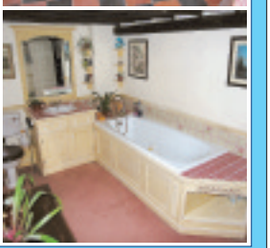
Bradwell Common £249,995

A four bedroom detached property situated on a corner plot within a cul-de-sac. The property is well presented with PVCu double glazing and a recently refitted ensuite shower room. There is an integral garage, a downstairs cloakroom and wardrobes in three of the bedrooms. The kitchen has been refitted and knocked through into the dining room to create a large kitchen/diner.



Bradwell £112,995

A one bedroom end of terrace property. The property has had PVCu double glazing installed and both the kitchen and bathroom have been refitted. There is an enclosed garden and off road parking. In our opinion an ideal first time or buy to let purchase.



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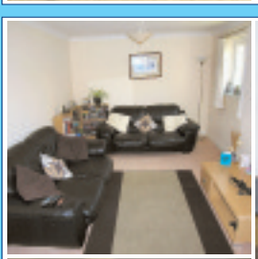
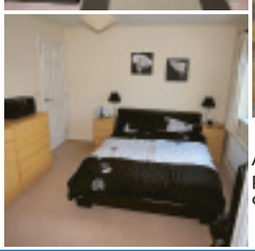
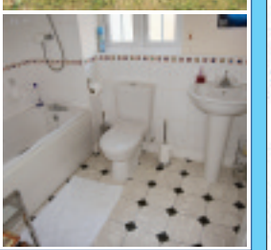
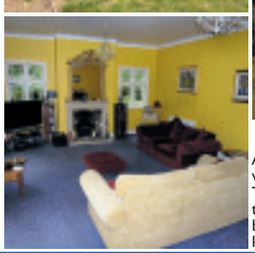





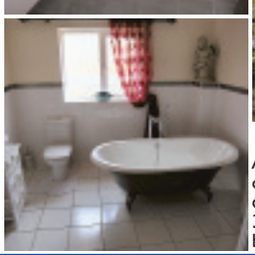
Kingsmead £244,995

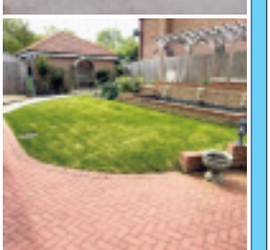
A three bedroom detached property offered for sale with no upper chain. The property has a kitchen/diner, an ensuite shower room and a downstairs cloakroom. There is a driveway providing parking and leading to a garage.



Aspley Heath £995,000

A substantial detached property situated at the end of Church Road, diagonally opposite the woods. The current owners have extended the property to create versatile accommodation. There is potential for a ground floor annexe and a first floor bedroom suite comprising of three rooms and a shower room. A refurbishment programme has been started with all bathrooms having been refitted. There is however scope for further improvement with the kitchen in particular having potential for enlarging and refitting.





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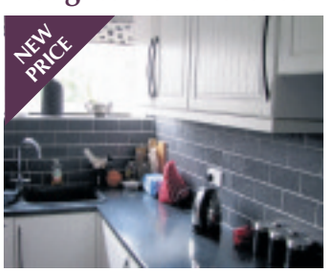

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Launching the Open House weekend, Matthew Giggs, Area Director for Countrywide said: "There's a growing demand and urgency for local property – especially from those keen to avoid the VAT increase. The biggest impact of this increase will come to those looking to fully furnish their new home and undertake home improvements, as white goods and general DIY costs will all creep up.

"We've had great success with similar open house events as they take the formality out of viewing and enable buyers to view a huge variety of properties, back-to-back without appointments."

Matthew added: "There's still time for local homeowners and landlords to sign up and take part - by opening up your doors for just one weekend we could secure your move in 2010."

Local landlords are also involved in the Get Moving Open House event to help with the unprecedented demand the UK lettings market has seen in recent months with more than 50,000 tenants registering for rental accommodation.

Anyone interested viewing Open House properties should contact their local Taylors and Wilson Peacock office to register and gain a unique password which will enable them access to properties taking part in the event.

Local homeowners and landlords can submit their property to take part by contacting their local Taylors or Wilson Peacock branch.

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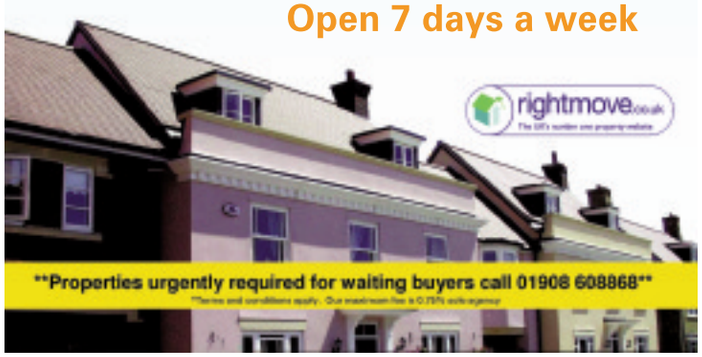

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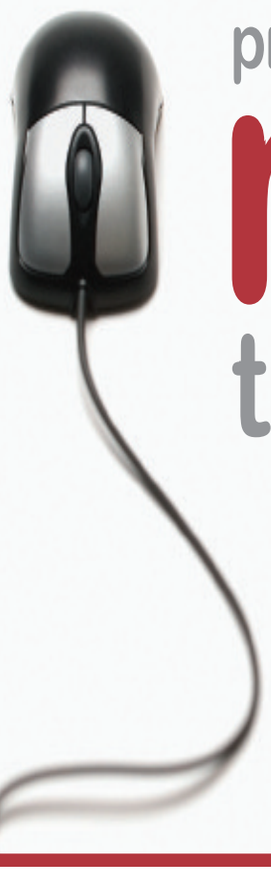

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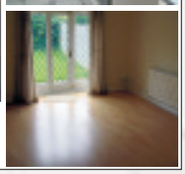

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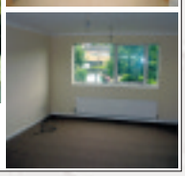

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So what are you going to do to make you stand out from the crowd? Why should an employer take a chance on you instead of someone else?

Your CV is your first real chance to sell yourself to a potential employer. Most employers will scan through a CV in about 30 seconds so you need to grab their attention from the start - and make them want to invite you for an interview.

There are five main areas to consider when writing your CV:

• Make sure your CV looks the part. Your CV should look clean and tidy - don't scrawl it out on a piece of A4 paper. If you haven't got access to a PC or printer, ask a friend or use your local library. Use a good quality paper and steer clear of fancy borders and front covers.

• Watch out for silly spelling and grammar mistakes. They make you look lazy and show employers that you don't really care. It's not difficult to do a spell check on your PC and if you're really stuck then don't just guess, reach for a dictionary. Get a friend to read through your CV for you - a second opinion is always useful.

• Make sure your CV is well organised. When you list your previous jobs, make sure the dates are correct and try not to leave any gaps. If you took time out to go travelling then say so - employers won't mark you down just because you've tried something new.

• Don't waffle. Remember that employers don't have time to read every word of your CV. Long paragraphs and sentences put people off, so try bullet-points to break up text. Make sure your CV is no longer than two pages long - employers don't want your life history, they just want to see that you've got what it takes to do the job.

• Don't list any failures. Employers have enough trouble finding someone who is right for the job - they don't need help finding reasons not to employ you. If you have to include a mistake from your past, make sure you show the employer that you learnt something from the experience.

Keep it simple

Personal details
Start off with your full name, address, date of birth, home and mobile phone numbers, email address and nationality. If you are offered an interview, the employer will want to get hold of you so give him as many options as possible.

Summary/professional profile
This is the No1 area for selling yourself. Set out your main skills and personal qualities but keep it interesting and tight - one paragraph should do to cover everything.

Education and qualifications
List your qualifications and education history, with the most recent first. You don't need to list the grades for each exam you have passed unless they were exceptional results - simply listing the number and type of exams you've passed is fine. Also, list any relevant professional organisations you belong to and training courses you have been on.

Work experience
Start with your most recent position and work backwards, giving addresses along with start and finish dates. Set out your main responsibilities, duties and most importantly achievements, along with any skills you picked up or improvements you made while you were there. This is a really important section in your CV so make it count - but don't waffle.

If you have not had a full-time job before, detail any part-time jobs you may have held or any placement you have been on.

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Set out any computer skills you may have and the software you are most familiar with. Can you type, do shorthand or speak a foreign language fluently? If you have a driving licence, let the employer know. If it's clean, tell them.

Interests & hobbies
Briefly list what you get up to in your spare time. Put down any positions you hold in clubs or associations, along with any responsibilities and achievements.

References
Make sure you have at least two people (including one from your previous or current job) who will tell an employer what a thoroughly nice person you are and what a potential asset to the company you would be.

If you want to list them now make sure you include their name, job title, postal & e-mail address and contact phone numbers. Alternatively, just put "Available on request" so the employer knows to follow up references at a later date.

Add a covering letter

The main aim of a covering letter is to encourage an employer to give you a chance. You want them to read your CV, so sell it to them. You should always enclose a covering letter when applying for a job - most employers won't consider you unless you do.

A covering letter should let the employer know why you are interested in the job and why you think you can do it.

The hints and tips below should point you in the right direction:

• Keep it simple. A covering letter should be short and to the point - no more than six paragraphs.

• Mention the job. If you are replying to an advert, mention what the job is and where you saw it. The company may be advertising for other positions and it may not be clear which job you are applying for.

• Sell yourself. Explain why you are the perfect candidate for the job. Show off your strengths and experience. Refer to your CV - if it goes missing then at least an employer will know that you've sent it.

• Check it for mistakes. A silly spelling mistake in a covering letter is likely to cost you your chance of getting an interview. Also, make sure it is addressed to the right person in the right department.

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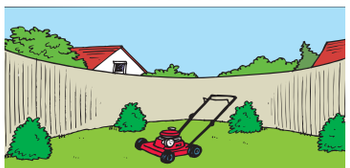

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PUBLIC NOTICE UNDER SECTION 67 OR 73

The following applications for Planning Permission, Listed Building Consent and/or Conservation Area Consent have been received and may be inspected at Central Bedfordshire Council, Priory House, Monks Walk, Chicksands, Shefford, SG17 5TQ during normal office hours.

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Assistant Director - Development Management **15 September 2010**

APPLICATION NO:	CB/10/02327/FULL Affects Conserv Area / General Publicity
PROPOSAL:	Erection of 12 new flats/maisonettes accessed from Regent Street with partial demolition of existing commercial premises at the rear of the site (revised application CB/10/00621/FULL)
LOCATION:	71 77 High Street North and adjacent to 5 Regent Street, Dunstable, LU6 1JF
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APPLICATION NO:	CB/10/03026/LB Affects Listed Building/Conserv. Area
PROPOSAL:	Installation of CCTV camera to external boundary wall
LOCATION:	Priory House, 33 High Street South, Dunstable, LU6 3RZ
APPLICATION NO:	CB/10/03037/LB Affects Listed Building/Conserv. Area
PROPOSAL:	Change of materials to canopy roof to right elevation from lead to VM Zinc Quartz
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APPLICATION NO:	CB/10/03048/FULL Affects Conservation Area
PROPOSAL:	Change of use to property to a nail bar
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APPLICATION NO:	CB/10/02642/FULL Listed Building/General Publicity
PROPOSAL:	Conversion and extension of garage to provide dayroom, changing room, bedroom annex and covered swimming pool and construction of manege.
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APPLICATION NO:	CB/10/02800/FULL Major Development & General Publicity
PROPOSAL:	Erection of 6 units for B1c, B2 and B8 purposes (including trade counters) and for A1, A3 and A5 (maximum of 855sq.m floorspace) purposes ancillary to the Woodside Estate; together with ancillary offices; servicing areas, car parking and landscaping.
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APPLICATION NO:	CB/10/03163/REN Affects Listed Building/Conserv. Area
PROPOSAL:	Erection of single storey extension to provide staff accommodation. (Application for a new planning permission to replace extant planning permission SB/TP/07/0707 in order to extend the time limit for implementation
LOCATION:	The Old Palace Lodge Hotel, Church Street, Dunstable, LU5 4RT
APPLICATION NO:	CB/10/03172/REN Affects Listed Building/Conserv. Area
PROPOSAL:	Erection of three storey rear extension to provide 18 no. double/twin en-suites bedrooms (Application for new planning permission to replace extant planning permission SB/TP/07/0709 in order to extend the time limit for implementation.
LOCATION:	The Old Palace Lodge Hotel, Church Street, Dunstable, LU5 4RT
APPLICATION NO:	CB/10/03176/REN Affects Listed Building/Conserv. Area
PROPOSAL:	Erection of single storey extension to provide staff accommodation. (Application for replacement of associated Listed Building Consent in order to extend the time limit for SB/LB/07/0705
LOCATION:	The Old Palace Lodge Hotel, Church Street, Dunstable, LU5 4RT
APPLICATION NO:	CB/10/03177/REN Affects Listed Building/Conserv. Area
PROPOSAL:	Erection of three storey rear extension to provide 18 double/twin en-suite bedrooms (application for replacement of associated Listed Building Consent in order to extend the time limit of SB/LB/07/0708)
LOCATION:	The Old Palace Lodge Hotel, Church Street, Dunstable, LU5 4RT

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Head to head

MK DONS

THE last time MK Dons made it to the third round of the Carling Cup they were handed a home tie at the National Hockey Stadium against Tottenham Hotspur in 2006. On that night they were beaten 5-0 by their top flight opponents. MK NEWS looks at how the key players will match up on Tuesday night to see if the Dons can get the better of Birmingham at St Andrews.

KARL ROBINSON V ALEX MCLEISH

ROOKIE Robinson comes up against a boss who has managed at international level in McLeish.

The former Scotland and Rangers gaffer has bags of experience and his Blues side are continuing where they left off in the Premier League last season with their eyes on a top half finish.

Robinson could throw Jabo Ibehre into the mix to truly test McLeish's side.

SEAN O'HANLON V JAMES MCFADDEN

THE Scottish international had his boss fighting his corner following criticism that labelled the striker as 'lazy'.

The comments came following a display for the national team but days later McFadden was one of the star performers in the goalless draw with Liverpool.

O'Hanlon will be keeping a close eye on the striker who netted five times last season.

PETER LEVEN V LEE BOWYER

THE tenacious Bowyer is never one to shy from a tackle, and with Leven given the freedom to roam by Dietmar Hamann the former Newcastle man will face a battle in midfield.

If the Dons are to make the best of their opportunities Leven's dead ball deliveries will have to be top draw.

His corners and free-kicks could be vital to the Dons' progression in the cup.

DAVID MARTIN V BEN FOSTER

LAST year this would have been billed as Liverpool versus Manchester United.

But Martin and Foster left their respective clubs to become number one keepers at the Dons and Birmingham.

Foster has experience in the competition – he was the penalty hero in United's victory over Tottenham in 2009.

DEAN LEWINGTON V SEBASTIAN LARSSON

THE Dons skipper sat out the pre-season defeat but will be aware of the Swedish winger's danger.

Larsson is recognised for his passing ability and accuracy from free-kicks.

The former-Arsenal player also provides fullback cover which could help the Blues deal with Lewington's hunger to push forward.

SAM BALDOCK V ROGER JOHNSON

THE pace and constant movement of Baldock will make it an uncomfortable night for Johnson.

A rock at the back for Blues, Johnson will have to contend with Baldock who has already netted four this season and picked up the Football League's Young Player of the Month award.

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August

7	Walsall	A	2-1
10	Dag & Red H (Carling Cup)	H	2-1
21	Carlisle	A	1-4
24	Blackpool (Carling Cup)	H	4-3
28	Swindon	H	2-1

September

4	Hartlepool	H	1-0
11	Brighton	A	2-0
15	Southampton	H	
18	Rochdale	H	
25	Peterborough	A	
28	Charlton	A	

October

2	Colchester	H
5	Charlton (JPT)	H
9	Dag & Red	H
16	Bournemouth	A
23	Exeter	H
30	Tranmere	A

November

2	Yeovil	H
6	FA Cup First Round	
13	Brentford	A
20	Sheff Wed	H
23	Huddersfield	A

December

4	Plymouth	H
11	Notts County	A
18	Oldham	H
26	Leyton Orient	A
28	Bournemouth	H

January

1	Bristol Rovers	H
3	Yeovil	A
8	Exeter	A
15	Tranmere	H
22	Dag & Red	A
29	Leyton Orient	H

February

2	Bristol Rovers	A
5	Sheff Wed	A
12	Brentford	H
19	Hartlepool	A
26	Brighton	H

March

5	Rochdale	A
8	Charlton	H
12	Colchester	A
19	Peterborough	H
26	Walsall	H

April

2	Southampton	A
9	Carlisle	H
16	Swindon	A
22	Huddersfield	H
25	Plymouth	A
30	Notts County	H

May

7	Oldham	A

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MK Dons assistant manager JOHN GORMAN writes exclusively for MK NEWS every week

I'VE got to talk about games win, lose or draw and it was disappointing to lose at Brighton.

But in saying that you have to admit they are quite a decent team who will be in amongst the top teams this season.

We always knew it would be a difficult game and that they would be well organised.

I think the signing of (Kazenga) LuaLua made a difference to them, it gave them a boost and as one individual he gave us the hardest time this season – even though Danny Woodards handled him well, he was always a major threat.

I felt whoever got the first goal would most likely go on and win the game, and it was LuaLua's wonder goal that inspired them.

We had to move on from that game very quickly because tonight we face a tough match against Southampton.

Southampton have had a very bizarre start to the season – everything seems to have gone funny for them.

It hasn't helped that the expectations for them to succeed in getting out of the league is very high.

In football nothing should surprise you – but it keeps surprising you!

It just didn't make any sense to sack the manager Alan Pardew after a 4-0 win at Bristol Rovers.

Since that game they've lost three – it's not the caretaker manager's fault – it's possibly affected the players.

The annoying thing about football is that Nigel Adkins has come in now and could give them a big boost.

It's a bit frustrating to think they've had three losses and all of a sudden they might pull a performance out of the blue.

Karl (Robinson) and myself have seen them play a couple of times this season, we've also got a very good scouting network to help us prepare for the game.

They should still be regarded as the strongest team in the league, even though their position doesn't show that.

Finally, I must mention the manager treated everyone to cakes this week. Karl celebrated his birthday on Monday, so he's an old manager now he's turned 30!

LEAGUE ONE TABLE

		P	HOME W	D	L	F	A	AWAY W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Peterborough	6	3	0	0	12	4	1	0	2	4	6	6	12
2	Carlisle	6	2	1	0	6	1	1	2	0	3	2	6	12
3	Bournemouth	6	2	1	0	11	4	1	1	1	5	3	9	11
4	Huddersfield	6	1	2	0	5	3	2	0	1	7	5	4	11
5	Rochdale	6	1	1	1	4	4	2	1	0	7	3	4	11
6	Sheff Wed	6	2	0	1	3	1	1	1	1	6	2	6	10
7	Brighton	5	2	1	0	6	3	1	0	1	2	2	3	10
8	Colchester	6	0	3	0	3	3	2	1	0	5	3	2	10
9	Charlton	6	2	1	0	3	1	1	0	2	4	5	1	10
10	Oldham	6	1	2	0	4	1	1	1	1	5	7	1	9
11	MK Dons	5	2	0	0	3	1	1	0	2	3	7	-2	9
12	Exeter	5	1	2	0	5	4	1	0	1	3	5	-1	8
13	Notts County	6	2	0	1	5	3	0	1	2	3	7	-2	7
14	Yeovil	6	2	0	1	5	4	0	1	2	1	6	-4	7
15	Swindon	6	1	1	1	3	3	0	2	1	3	4	-1	6
16	Walsall	6	1	0	2	3	4	1	0	2	5	6	-2	6
17	Bristol Rovers	6	1	1	1	2	5	0	2	1	3	6	-6	6
18	Plymouth	5	0	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	3	3	-3	5
19	Brentford	6	1	0	2	3	5	0	2	1	1	3	-4	5
20	Hartlepool	6	0	1	2	4	10	1	1	1	2	1	-5	5
21	Tranmere	6	1	0	2	2	5	0	2	1	3	5	-5	5
22	Southampton	5	0	1	2	1	4	1	0	1	4	1	0	4
23	Leyton Orient	6	1	0	2	5	5	0	1	2	2	5	-3	4
24	Dag & Red	5	1	1	0	4	2	0	0	3	0	6	-4	4

SEASIDE SICKENER: Gary Dicker heads clear as Jermaine Easter and Jabo Ibehre put on the pressure

Robbo rages at rough stuff from the Albion

BRIGHTON AND HOVE ALBION 2

LuaLua 49 Murray 75

MK DONS 0

BY SIMONE CORGAN

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THE rough treatment used on Sam Baldock and Jermaine Easter in Brighton and Hove Albion's 2-0 win left MK Dons boss Karl Robinson fuming.

The manager accepted Brighton were the better team on the day, and that his Dons did not cope with the constant threat of Kazenga LuaLua, who opened the scoring with a spectacular free-kick and the set up Glenn Murray's header.

Though disappointed, the result was not the issue for Robinson.

His main gripe about the afternoon at the Withdean was the tactics deployed by centre back pairing of Tommy Elphick and Adam El-Abd, who Robinson felt were intent on stopping his strikeforce by any means.

Robinson, who even refused to shake hands with El-Abd after the game, said: "I thought the way their two centre halves played against our two forwards was at times bordering on assault and some of the tackles they put in were pretty poor, but you've got to except that, and if people are going to rough us up and do that type of thing the boys have to be a bit stronger. I wouldn't shake somebody's hand who tried to do what he (El-Abd) did. I didn't want to shake their players' hands because I felt his treatment of Sam Baldock was pretty poor at times."

Whatever tactics Gus Poyet had ordered from his defenders it certainly worked as both Baldock and Easter found life in front of goal more than frustrating and chances were kept to a bare minimum.

On the day, only one player truly separated the sides, and unfortunately for the Dons it was Brighton's winger LuaLua.

The teenager had re-joined on loan from Newcastle last week and his first appearance back at the Withdean was a stunning one that saw him go from goal scorer to goal provider to man-of-the-match.

LuaLua tore down the Dons' right flank time and time again before netting a wonder free-kick which dipped and swerved away from keeper David Martin. He then provided the cross for Murray, looking suspiciously offside, to head home for three points.

Robinson could only applaud LuaLua for his performance, saying: "I don't think the boy will ever hit a better ball than that in his life. It moved probably two foot from left to right and dipped about three foot under the bar as well – it was a phenomenal strike, so when you go 1-0 down to a wonder goal you just have to accept that."

COMING UP

ROCHDALE

League One
Saturday, September 18
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MK Dons do not have the best record against Rochdale.

In fact, the Dons have won just one of their four previous meetings and in the three games they've lost the Dons have conceded nine goals. The opening six games of the season have produced a mixed bag of results for Dale. One defeat, two draws and three wins - including a superb 2-0 away at Southampton - have helped them climb into fifth place.

But Keith Hill's men will have their work cut out if they are going to stay in the higher reaches of the league following their promotion from the basement division. If Dons can keep the influential Gary Jones quiet they will go a long way to stopping Rochdale.

BIRMINGHAM CITY

Carling Cup Third Round
Tuesday, September 21
St Andrews

WHEN these two teams met in pre-season Birmingham edged it by the odd goal in a five-goal thriller.

Since that day Birmingham have strengthened their squad further by bringing in Alexander Hleb, Jean Beausejour and Martin Jiranek on the final day of the transfer window as they embark on replicating their impressive ninth place finish in the Premier League last season.

Dons will be hoping Alex McLeish takes his eye off the ball and concentrates on their Premier League campaign.

If the scores are level after 90 minutes the game will go to extra-time. If the sides remain tied after 30 minutes of extra-time the game will be decided on penalties.

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Departing Dru won't forget time at Lions

MK Lions have waved goodbye to a legend in the same week that they confirmed their future in the city.

Just days after announcing the Lions will be playing in a warehouse in Winterhill, where they have agreed a three-year deal, the club have confirmed Dru Spinks will not be a Lion this season.

Spinks captained the Lions in their finest hour when they lifted their only trophy to date, the BBL Cup, in 2008.

The forward made his debut in 1996 when the club were playing under the name of Hemel and Watford Royals and is the longest serving player in the British Basketball League with 12 years under his belt.

Spinks said: "I joined the club in 1996 and have enjoyed the opportunity to play 12 years of top class basketball.

"During this time, I have represented my country and had the great honour of captaining the Lions and going on to lift the BBL Cup, a day I'll never forget. "Throughout the years, I have deeply appreciated the support and friendship of the Lions fans and team.

"I would've loved to continue my association with the club but unfortunately the opportunity to do so is now not available.

"I wish the team and the supporters all the best and every success in the future."

Meanwhile, boss Mike New has continued to strengthen his side by confirming the signing of a trio of British players.

As revealed by MK NEWS last week, Lawerence Brown, a 7ft 2ins centre, put pen to paper on a deal.

And forward Anthony Haase and Ransford Laryea have also signed up to a season with the club.

Haase, a 6ft 7ins former Birmingham Bullets player, was with Nottingham Hoods in the English Basketball League last season, while 23-year-old Laryea is a point guard who has his first professional break last year in Denmark playing for SISU Copenhagen.

LEGEND'S FAREWELL: Dru Spinks

Webber back on top as Hamilton crashes out

FLYING HIGH: Red Bull Racing's Mark Webber

MARK Webber climbed to the top of the drivers' championship despite finishing in sixth place at the Italian Grand Prix.

Monza threw up plenty of action as Lewis Hamilton, at the top of the standings prior to the race, crashed out in the first lap due to suspension damage.

While race leader Jenson Button kissed goodbye to victory as his McLaren team called him in for a pit stop a lap too early which allowed Fernando Alonso to win the race in his Ferrari.

On a track where the Red Bull Racing cars were never expected to challenge for a podium spot, the sight of Hamilton climbing out of his McLaren was a huge boost for the Milton Keynes-based racing outfit.

But a poor start for Webber meant they failed to take full advantage.

Aussie Webber slipped from his starting place of fourth down the track before recovering to clinch sixth place.

He said: "We could have got more points, so it's a bit disappointing, but at least we got some.

"I've had a better day than Lewis and got more points, but Fernando won the race. It's good to get some points, but you always want a bit more.

"It could have been worse for us."

Meanwhile, his teammate Sebastian Vettel made up two places on the grid from his starting position to grab fourth place which proved to be a good result as the German driver had engaged in a panic radio conversation with the garage about a problem with his engine.

He said: "Around lap 20 something happened to the car, I don't know what it was, maybe there was some friction in the car, but fortunately the problem solved itself.

"So, some good points and we achieved our maximum, which was fourth place."

Webber's lead in the championship is five points, while Red Bull Racing have a three point advantage over McLaren in the constructors' championship.

LOCAL RUGBY

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Reading 7

MARK Marwood ran in a hat-trick of tries to help Olney make it two wins from two as they brushed aside Reading.

Some tough defending from Reading prevented Olney from opening the lead early in the game but the breakthrough eventually come for the home side when fly-half Marwood crossed over the line and James Hawken added the conversion.

A lapse in concentration almost cost Olney as Reading broke up field and looked destined to score only for a knock-on to deny them the chance.

From the resulting scrum Olney kicked up field and Marwood was able to grab his second try of the afternoon, with Hawken extending their lead to 14-0 at half-time.

Reading quickly got back in to the game with a converted try of their own shortly after the restart, but Olney kept the score board ticking over with a penalty from the boot of Hawken.

Another Reading mistake set up the final Olney score as a knock-on presented the home side with a scrum which allowed Marwood to complete his hat-trick.

Hawken added the extras as Olney moved in to second place.

Bletchley 8
Amersham and Chiltern 20

BLETCHLEY'S first home game of the season ended in disappointment as they were beaten by Amersham and Chiltern.

It was Bletchley who opened the scoring through a Phil Harman penalty only to be pegged back to level terms when Amersham responded with a kick of their own.

Bletchley's defence gave way minutes before the break when a quickly taken penalty saw Amersham crash over the line and, with the extras added, carry a 10-3 lead in at half-time.

A yellow card for Brett Staniford proved the turning point in the game as 14-man Bletchley fell 20-3 down.

Bletchley did manage to score the try of the game when George Harman, Jack Couzens and Carl Miller all handled the ball before prop Tom Hannell charged forward, offloaded to George Harman who was soon brought down, and the loose ball was once again collected by Hannell who sprinted over.

But, with the conversion failing, Bletchley could not rally for a late comeback.

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Poulter takes slide in world rankings

IAN Poulter has fallen a place in the world rankings.

The Woburn golf professional slipped to 13th place after failing to qualify for the PGA Tour Championship.

Poulter and his Ryder Cup team mate Rory McIlroy missed out on making the top 30 in the FedEx Cup play-offs.

But that could prove to be good news for Ryder Cup captain Colin Montgomerie as his players can now rest ahead of the showdown with America in two weeks time.

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Ex Kopite Karl calls for Anfield feel to night tie

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KARL Robinson wants to give every MK Dons fan a night to remember when his team entertain Southampton this evening.

Whether it is the prospect of finally recording their first victory over Southampton, a side that beat them on four occasions last term, or the thought of playing under the flood lights for arguably the Dons' biggest home game of the season, Robinson expects something special from the 90 minutes at stadiummk.

Three points would lift the 'curse' the Saints hold over the Dons, and would also be the perfect belated present to the manager who turned 30 on Monday.

Speaking yesterday former Liverpool Youth Academy coach Robinson appeared enthusiastic ahead of the encounter with Saints and their newly appointed manager Nigel Adkins.

He said: "A lot of clubs at this level need to look at night games as special games – the atmosphere seems to be a little bit more enclosed, there's more volume to it.

"We need to start making some special nights at stadiummk and nights that fans can reminisce about in future years, because we haven't had too many of them.

"I remember Swansea here and I'd class Blackpool in that bracket as well but, other than that, I can't really look back at too many memorable nights that will go down in our club's history as great occasions.

"If we get the result that we're all looking for I'm sure it will go down as a monumental victory and one that we'll remember for a long, long time, because it's a curse that we deeply want to break."

Adkins left Scunthorpe United in the Championship to take over the Saints on Monday, and will be looking at former-Don Jason Puncheon and striker Rickie Lambert to lift the club out of the relegation spot they currently occupy.

Dons will have captain Dean Lewington back from suspension and Aaron Wilbraham could make his first appearance of the season as he is set to named on the bench.

Lewington is expecting Adkins' arrival to have an immediate impact on the Saints and says their visitors will not bully them like they did last season.

The left-back said: "There will normally be a ten or 15 per cent improvement, where everyone ups their game to show the new manager what they can do so we have to be wary of that.

"I think we've got a side that can hold their own.

"We've got smaller strikers so we're not looking to get in a physical battle with them, we'll try and use our speed and pass around them.

"It's disappointing to lose to them four times, but this is a new season and four wins last year doesn't count for anything, they're still in our division and they haven't gone anywhere.

"It's a clean slate and three points are up for grabs."

Jermaine Easter, stand-in skipper for Lewington at Brighton, echoed his thoughts.

"Southampton is a massive game, obviously we've got a point to prove against them," he said, adding: "For me they were the most difficult team to play against and with the results that shows.

"The fans will hopefully come in their numbers and get behind us so we can beat them."

Kick-off tonight is at 7.45pm.

■**For a full match report and match reaction log on to www.mk-news.co.uk**

DANGER MAN: Jason Puncheon, pictured here in a Dons shirt battling against Paul Wotton in last year's clash between the two sides, will turn out against his former club tonight

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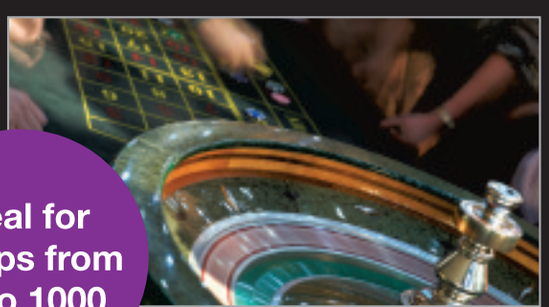

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